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Our Fraternity Alumnae Creed

*We, the fraternity alumnae
members, stand for*

1. An active, sympathetic interest in the life of our undergraduate sisters.

2. For loyal support of the ideals of our Alma Mater.

3. For the encouragement of high scholarship.

4. For the maintenance of healthful physical conditions in chapter house and dormitory.

5. For the education of the young women of America.

Loyal service to chapter, college, and community is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

The Panhellenic Creed, Section two.

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HO ALUMNA!

Ho alumna! If you are not doing anything for Theta, why aren't you?

"Can't get away from the daily round."

Nothing to it. Some of our most active fraternity workers are women with little children, or engrossing professions, who carry their end of a half dozen community activities. As a noted doctor once said, after fifty years of practice, "Women can do anything they want to."

"The fraternity doesn't need me."

Doesn't it though? Do you think the management of the national fraternity could properly be left entirely to active girls? Who does guide it? Alumnae like you and me, who perhaps unlike us, have seen the vision of what our fraternity means, and may mean to our hundreds of active girls in one of the most formative periods of their lives. Fraternity cannot mean its utmost to these girls without alumnae guidance. And there is need of more alumnae and more interested alumnae both in national and local affairs.

"But the active girls prefer to be left alone."

Well, on that subject one could write a sermon running into the "tenthlies," if anyone would heed it. The active girls do want encouragement and guidance. But they want kindly suggestions from alumnae who see them often, are young at heart, and in whom they have confidence. Unless an alumna fills these requirements, she cannot successfully advise an active girl. May a good angel help that chapter which has a corps of self-appointed advisers who have not thus qualified for the task they have undertaken! We humans (and active girls are also human) always long for more friends who will come to see us occasionally, approve of the worth while things we are trying to do, and signify, perhaps only by their attitude, that they stand ready to help if we ever need them. No good going to the chapter house once a year, just to criticize. Don't you remember those alumnae who in your active days never took an active part in fraternity affairs, except perhaps to come to banquet? Then some unhappy day, the chapter was penalized, or some member was in an unfortunate escapade. And said alumnae came in twos and threes, solemnly, and exhorted the few unhappy unactives who were not fleet enough to escape to the third floor back bedroom. They expounded the high ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta, which they had so ably upheld, and told how your active chapter had dragged them in the dust. Lo, let us train ourselves so we may not become this kind of alumnae!

Let us avoid too becoming those alumnae who choose, or try to choose, the girls whom the active chapter shall pledge. "All the times that I've entertained those girls! And their rushees! And their beaux! And now they won't even bid Mary Such-a-fine-girl! And her mother president of the Woman's club, and such a good friend of mine." Oh, you've known 'em. Take my famous nostrum and avoid this dire end, for this malady when far advanced is hopeless. In my experience, by the way, I have rarely seen reason to regret in the end, the refusal of the active girls to take a rushee whom they did not want, though she might be sponsored ever so enthusiastically by one or more alumnae. Our whole legal system is founded on the propriety of judging an individual by his peers, and the peers of the rushee are the active girls. Many fine Thetas have been bid because of the influence of the alumnae, but where there is considerable opposition, it seems very unwise to force a favorable decision. The candidate, if elected, has to live very close to the active girls, and the personal wishes of alumnae will avail little against the friction of everyday contact.

Well, enough of knocking. Only let us remember that when we went to college, that big, new, different world, Theta took us in and gave us our chance. Was trig hard? An upperclassman gave us many a boost. Did we come from Homeburg arrayed in cerise trimmed with apple green? The most tastefully dressed girl from the metropolis tactfully helped us plan our next dress. Did the array of silver at a luncheon fill us with dismay? Our neighbor took up the proper utensil quickly that we might easily follow suit. Were we "spoiled children," indulged, selfish daughters? Gradually example taught us unselfishness. Did we love parties? Theta introduced us to a ready-made circle of men friends. In every line of college activity the way was hewn before us, and if we had not the ability or wish to follow, it was no fault of Theta. How different is the lot of the non-fraternity girl, or of her who is in "a poor bunch!" Many of us feel that much of what was most worth while in our college careers, came through our fraternity life. What have we done to repay Theta for all she gave us? What are we doing to retain that youthfulness which some never lose?

If we are near an active chapter, let's call at the house some day. Let's go remembering that the active girl is still the same, immature, a little shy of us, a little thoughtless, but really awfully appreciative of the fact that we come. But we are middle-aged, alas (all of twenty-five) and forever shut out of that gay life in which we would so much like to share again. If we leave with a little chill in our hearts, let's remember that here as elsewhere, "Time stays. We go." Let's make the girls feel our real desire to help and when our chance comes, let's help with a will.

Let's go to alumnae meetings, and contribute our share of Theta spirit. When we go to banquet, let's give some supposedly shy Theta

a good time, just for fun. When it's over, we may laugh ourselves to sleep in the realization that she thought she was doing missionary work by entertaining us.

Yea, and finally (even tenthly) sistren, let's write our state chairman, and offer to help that sometimes discouraged lady in any way that we can. Let's see to it that all alumnæ in our town come across with their share of the war fund to her, unless they are really unable to do so. Let's send her all the Theta gossip we know to help out on her round-robin letters. Let's send her twenty-five cents or five dollars to help out on the state alumnæ expenses. As it now stands we alumnæ are a financial drain on the general fraternity and active girls. That should not be. Every state should assume for the sake of its own self-respect the expenses of state alumnæ affairs—stamps, stationery, round-robin letters, etc. In the words of the War Saving Stamp literature, let's be a "DID."

Many states have made excellent beginnings in their general alumnæ organization, but the financial arrangements in one instance are worth consideration. The chairman writes about three letters a year, which are printed and mailed to all alumnæ in her territory. They contain condensed general Theta news, perhaps a little Panhellenic news, and much gossip. The last is appreciated especially in a state where the alumnæ are fairly well acquainted, as few of us have time to keep up correspondence these days, and yet we all like to be informed of the important events in the lives of Theta friends and acquaintances. The chairman's expenses in this are defrayed by donations from her alumnæ, which have varied in the last two years from five cents to ten dollars. Letters are sent to all, though there are some girls who have not yet responded by letter or payment. The loyal ones carry the indifferent. But the important fact is that the state is self-supporting, and that gradually more and more girls respond, so that an increasing number is being brought back into touch with the fraternity. That is what we want for the sake of both the fraternity and the alumnæ themselves, not money in large amounts, not excessive work, but interest and contact between Theta and our "old girls."

Alice Towne Deweese

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SCHOLARSHIP HONORS

(Additions to Report in January 1918 issue)

BETA

First rank in scholarship at Indiana university for college year, 1917-18.

TAU

Barbara Abel, 1918, elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

THE COLLEGE GRADUATE—HER RELATION TO THE FAMILY AND THE COMMUNITY

"Say, our baby sister didn't cost but fifteen dollars when we got her," said five-year-old Jack Bevans as he and a playmate were walking to school with me one day last week.

"But you wouldn't take a thousand dollars for her now, would you, Jack?" put in the playmate, enthusiastically.

"Why, I wouldn't take a *hundred thousand*," replied Jack.

"What makes you want so much, Jack?" I asked.

"Gee! the way everything is going up, it looks like she is worth it," came his answer. I thought, "Why can't everyone feel that each little baby is worth a hundred thousand dollars?" and thus I came to my subject.

For the last few years social service work has been one of the most forward questions in the minds of a few people. Today, during our present crisis of war, when everyone is working for our soldiers overseas, and for those who are soon to go, can we forget that there are little soldiers at home who are in just as dangerous positions as the boys in the trenches? Hundreds of babies die each day because of the unhealthful, unsanitary places in which they are living. It is the patriotic duty of someone to make these conditions at home safe; and the person that must do this, it seems to me, is the college graduate.

Although the subject I have chosen is broad enough to cover several books, I shall attempt to give a general view of the college girl's means of national patriotism.

Return just a minute to the Bible—you cannot read through the first chapter of Genesis without finding reference to the family as the first social group. Even in Biblical times the community life grew up; and so on through the earliest stages of our civilization; we find that the family was the chief social unit, and that these various families naturally formed a group life. Within the last few years this social relation has become so complex that the family now seems to be a very minor part of the whole system. We hear our grandfathers say that the world is growing worse; at first it might seem that way. The changed conditions, the numerous inventions, the advancement along every line, all have been so rapid that the education of the mass has been quite unable to keep up, and therein lies the trouble. The people must be shown that today the family should play even a more important part than it played in the time of our forefathers; for our community can be no stronger than the weakest family in the community.

One of the greatest causes of this present serious condition of family life is the carelessness with which boys and girls choose their life partners. Instead of taking several years to get acquainted before marrying, they marry at first sight or after a few months; instead of asking whether each is suited to the other, they are satisfied by know-

ing they can get a divorce if they do not suit; instead of making any effort to find out the kind of life each has led, they wait until after marriage, when it is too late. Thus many homes are broken up and the families become burdens rather than helps to the community; and *our* nation is distinguished among all nations for its large number of divorce cases. A lack of home training is generally at the bottom of this cause.

The children must be taught the spirit of cooperation in the home; they must be taught to recognize their obligations to their parents; and the parents in turn must be educated to cooperate with the children and make them feel an interest in the home.

Just as this cooperation must be carried out between the members of a family, so it must be carried out by the families in the community. Each family must be made to feel that the community has a personal interest in it. How can this be brought about?

Since so many families are wholly unconscious of proper home conditions and their relation to other families, the community must be the chief factor in the needed reform; and some individuals must be leaders. Whether the college girl be a journalist, a school teacher, a government employee, a social employee, a social service worker, or a girl who returns home to remain with her family, she has an important part to play. Generally speaking, the college girl who returns to her home in a small town, is looked upon as something almost divine, unless that girl be one who has allowed her brain to be dazzled rather than developed by college life.

To show specifically the part a college girl can play, I shall choose the school teacher and the girl who returns to home duties. In our public schools we find all classes of children; most numerous are those from homes that are broken up because of poverty or because mother and father do not get along together. The teachers can indirectly make these children feel the pleasure and the strength in loving and respecting each other; she can make them feel the delight and the importance of being neat and clean in appearance; she can arouse an interest in the cleanliness of homes by giving them a part in keeping the schoolroom tidy. The little ones will invariably carry home these ideas and attempt to put them into practice. By organizing parent-teacher associations and mothers' clubs the teachers can help instruct the uneducated mothers and furnish them a means of social contact with better mothers of the community. Through club work and church work the teacher can greatly influence the young boys and girls of a town.

The girl who returns to her family after she has completed college must not return to live a life of selfishness; but she must share her education with the less fortunate girls of her home town. She can organize some social and educational circles; she can be active in church work, in athletic organizations, in civic work. She can help

to establish libraries and various clean forms of amusement. In such ways can she come in contact with the general class of people and help to raise the living standard of her community.

In many cases can the individual cooperate with the town officials. One of the greatest factors hindering proper home conditions is the inability for people to own their houses. People who rent do not have the pride in the house and do not feel any interest in the community. The tenement house ruins the character, the health, and the lives of our children. The government and the church must make it possible for the poorer people to own houses; and some governments and some churches have to be reminded of this duty.

I heard the other day of a deacon in a church who had been holding several acres of land in the heart of a small city, until he could get an enormous price for the land. In this same city many babies were dying because of the crowded living conditions in the slums of the city. One day a young lady went to this deacon and asked him if he had ever thought how many people could enjoy those lots if he would reduce the price and sell them. He had never thought of the harm he was doing. Immediately he divided the ground into small lots, built good houses on them, and offered them for sale to people who wanted to buy them and pay just a little money each year. Two years later that small city had no slum district; other men followed the deacon's plan and today the poorest people there feel that they have personal interests in that community's development.

So the community grows out of the family; each child is vitally important to the community. It is then our duty to help make home life healthful and inductive to character; to help make the social and moral conditions of the community uplifting. How else can this be done, if it is not by developing that spirit of neighborliness between individuals of the family and the community that this war has forced us to realize must exist between nations in order to conquer an enemy?

EMILY HARDESTY, *Rho Alpha*—From $\Sigma\Omega$, *Eleusis*.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Kappa Alpha Theta's was the first fund of this kind supported by a women's fraternity, so at present is the largest one. However, the plan is becoming more general.

Kappa Delta started her fund at her last convention and this year it is keeping three girls in college. Pi Beta Phi has an undergraduate loan fund and also a graduate fellowship awarded yearly. When our fund is completed it too will support a fellowship as well as scholarships.

Kappa Kappa Gamma's fund is known as the "Students' aid fund." It recently received a gift of \$5,000 from Mrs Hollenback as a memorial to her daughter, Juliette Hollenback, a prominent Kappa alumna.

A PROPOS OF ALUMNÆ MEETINGS

"I'm not going to another alumnae meeting," said the businesslike Theta. "They're a disgrace! We spend all the afternoon passing a few motions, which if properly worded and presented for discussion ought to be disposed of in about ten minutes. Every one talks at once, regardless of the one who is supposed to have the floor, with the result that the vote is taken without half of us knowing on what we are voting! That's not my idea of a well-conducted meeting!"

"I'm not going either!" the Theta with the home duties chimed in. "When I get away from home I want to talk with the girls and not spend all the afternoon discussing whether the 'of' in the motion should be a 'with' or whether the banquet should be held again at the hotel that gave us cold food last year. It's too much work and no play for me, and I have enough of that at home."

Here the new president put in a word. "We've got a new plan—the group system. Come to the next meeting and I do not believe you can ever be made to miss another." So the businesslike Theta and the home Theta yielded to the president's plea and went, and have been going ever since.

It was not more than a year ago that we put the group system into effect at St. Louis alumnae. We found the meetings almost too large for one hostess to handle, yet, in view of the number of Thetas in town whom we wished to interest in the alumnae organization, the group system was suggested and has worked out very well, so well that a Theta alumnae meeting crowds other festivities quite off its day on the calendar.

First, to explain briefly what the system is. The list of alumnae members was taken and divided into groups, under the following heads:

1. Out-of-town Thetas.
2. Alpha Mu Thetas.
3. Alpha Iota Thetas according to their classes.

The third heading may need some explanation. Whenever the number of Thetas graduating from Washington university in one year was six or seven they formed a group, for example 1913 group. If, however, the number was small, several classes, preferably those that were in college together, formed a group, viz. the 1902-1903-1904 group. For the same reason the Missouri university girls were combined in one large group, as some years would see only one St. Louis Theta in the graduating class.

Every group has its chairman appointed from its members by the president. When the notices for a meeting are sent out, every member of the group must inform her chairman whether or not she can attend. When all have reported the chairman makes the report for her group to the hostess at whose home the meeting is to be held. In case some

of the group fail to send in their acceptance or regrets the chairman must call them up and find this out for herself. The chairman is also expected to look up Thetas of her class that are not active members of the *alumnæ* and endeavor to persuade them to join the chapter.

The meetings of the year are apportioned to the various groups, those desiring the meeting of any special month being given it. The group then has charge of the meeting and meets once with its chairman to plan for it. The place of meeting, the home of one of them, is then selected. Some form of entertainment is planned to be given after the regular business is disposed of, and the effort of each group to excel the others has resulted in very enjoyable meetings. Any Theta who has not joined the *alumnæ* is especially invited to the meeting given by the group to which she would belong, were she a member.

The schedule of meetings and names of the groups in charge of them are contained in a small booklet, issued as a year book by the *alumnæ* association. This summary of the meetings of the year and the groups that have them in charge is sent to every Theta in town, while postal cards sent out each month give a detailed account of the meetings of that month and serve as a reminder.

A description of one or two of the meetings may be interesting and helpful to those who are wondering how to put "pep" into these gatherings. Our election of officers comes at the December meeting. The notices went out urging all to attend the great political rally December 11 and bidding them vote yes, or no by telephoning the chairman of their group. Upon arrival the guests noticed (or at least the hostesses hoped they did) large signs parodying local political slogans of the day. The Theta nominated for corresponding secretary lived in the country. Her candidacy was announced by a notice reading: "Annex the Suburbs! Helen Fuller Nipher for corresponding secretary." The retiring president, having become the proud possessor of an infant son during her term, read the fraternity attitude toward nepotism in the following, "Vote for one, not a family! Down with Galt and son!" The frantic appeals of the entertaining group, "Who gives you free gossip? 1910! Vote for them!" were ignored in the subsequent elections. After the signs had been inspected the Thetas were led to a voting booth and requested to register, writing on a folded paper their name, college, date of graduation, and a reason beginning with "Because." After the meeting these were unfolded and pinned on their respected owners and the folded half was found to have "Why I left home" just before the reason. Among the reasons were "Because I am the mother of three!" "Because I have a little Ford," and others equally mirth-provoking. After the business was finished the bar in the dining-room was declared open, elections being over. It was handsomely decorated in black and gold bunting, while signs stated in large letters that "Bottles are on Ice." Close inspec-

tion revealed tiny words above these reading "The baby's," which altered the meaning slightly. Cider, cheese, and ham sandwiches and pretzels were served and the meeting was certainly a "howling" success.

The March meeting was in charge of the 1913 group. They wrote to out-of-town Thetas for the stories of their lives since leaving us and the letters, which were read after the business hour, were most entertaining and delightful. When they were finished we felt that the old friends had dropped in for a ten-minute chat and that 1913 had given us a treat indeed. Then we all went home wondering what would happen next time!

When first suggested, the objection to the group system was that it would tend to create "cliques." It has had the opposite effect for two reasons. First, the fact that the group meets once to plan the meeting gives them a chance to unburden their souls of the news, interesting only to themselves, which, formerly, I regret to say, was exchanged in alumnæ meeting, rather to the bewilderment of the others. Then the fact that the group are all hostesses makes them attentive to their guests so that "their meeting" may bear a favorable comparison with others.

The advantages of the plan are numerous. The expense of the meeting divided among six or seven is very little. Originality is the keynote of the social side of the meeting. The fact that their university or their class is entertaining or will entertain in the future has brought many hitherto luke-warm Thetas into our ranks and the attendance at meetings has been almost doubled.

And so businesslike Thetas' objections are met, for the business of the day is carried through with more regularity and dispatch so that there will be plenty of time for the "party," while some Theta is satisfied for the various stunts of the social hour carry her back to that land of happy memories that sometimes seems to lie so far away from this work-a-day world, that fair land of our college days.

Mary Glasgow Chivris

Remember the dates, July 3-7.

NEW YORK INVITES YOU

New York alumnæ chapter meets the first Friday of each month at the home of Miss Clara Colburne, 168 West 75th Street. All Thetas in New York are cordially invited to meet with us at 2:30 o'clock.

ALUMNÆ CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

(Hints from chapters of our contemporaries)

Delta Gamma: Each semester presents to the member of nearby college chapter having highest scholarship a gold friendship pin with fraternity insignia.

Discuss at meetings the city elections, the school board organization.

Help support the local collegiate bureau of occupations by giving time to clerical work, as well as by money gifts.

Beta Sigma Omicron: Whenever have flowers for table decorations at functions of the chapter, they are taken from the meeting to the tuberculosis ward at the city hospital.

Gamma Phi Beta: Have a system of great aunts and nieces in the college and alumnae chapter; each college member being assigned to a special alumna for her college career, and many happy friendships result, and some helpful guidance too, we hope.

Give an annual prize of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to the member of the college chapter with highest scholarship record for the year.

During the year, at our regular meetings we sew for our "sunshine boxes." At Christmas time we commandeer the chapter house and play the rôle of Santa Claus to some 100 children not sure to have a visit from Santa Claus. Each child receives a "sunshine box," which contains, beside one of the garments made through the year, paste, pencil, scissors, and pictures to cut out, doll's furniture, etc.

Several alumnae chapters collected war funds which they sent directly overseas to some war worker they knew, funds to be used for any special need not otherwise provided for.

Kappa Kappa Gamma: Presented the nearby college chapter with a silver loving-cup on which each year is to be engraved the name of the member with highest scholarship record.

The New York alumnae chapter annually holds an auction for the benefit of the Students' Aid Fund, selling to one another at this merry meeting the food and fancy work products of members.

Alpha Gamma Delta: The alumnae chapter each year gives a ring to the freshman pledge who during the year has shown the most promising development along the lines indicated by the fraternity ideals. The ring is presented at the reunion banquet during Commencement week.

Once a year we hold a week-end house party at the chapter house, which is attended largely by alumnae from everywhere.

Alpha Omicron Pi: The New Orleans alumnae chapter furnishes teachers twice a week for the Americanization classes conducted by the Y. W. C. A.

Sigma Sigma Sigma: Alumnae chapter helped to form a "school betterment association" in the city.

Another chapter investigated the conditions and need of the public institutions of a charitable nature in the city and then led the movement for betterment.

Once a week, representatives of the chapter go to the Orphans' Home and give the children a happy two hours of play and "mothering."

Delta Delta Delta: The executive council, the officers of the alumnæ chapter, divide the total number of initiates in the resident college chapter equally among themselves, and each one starts a Round Robin to her squad. When the letters all return, a general news bulletin is made up and distributed.

One alumnæ chapter was in charge of a W.S.S. booth one day each week for three months.

Many alumnæ chapters have adopted French orphans.

Chi Omega: The alumnæ who return for the reunion banquet make it their pleasant duty to send greetings to all non-present alumnæ. These took the form last year of parchments decorated like the place-cards on which each one present put a line of love and greetings.

Alpha Chi Omega: One alumnæ chapter last winter gave concerts for the benefit of Red Cross. Other chapters sewed regularly for hospitals.

Several alumnæ chapters entertained the college seniors at commencement time and endeavored to enroll them for alumnæ chapter members.

Kappa Delta: Alumnæ chapters very generally gave a loving-cup to college chapters as a scholarship prize. Each year the girl or the class with the highest scholarship average has name and grade upon the cup.

Phi Mu: Last winter many chapters held weekly knitting parties. Other chapters offered prizes to active chapters for scholarship attainments.

All alumnæ chapters issue printed programs of business and social meetings.

Pi Beta Phi: Several alumnæ chapters made layettes for Belgian mothers, raising the money for materials through salvage sales from members' attics.

Sigma Kappa: Alumnæ chapters doubled the number of their meetings last year, meeting every two weeks. One meeting a month was devoted to war work, sewing, or any special need of the local Red Cross chapter, the other monthly meeting being a social one with a literary program.

Some General Alumnæ Suggestions: In a number of fraternities the plan of using the college chapter house as a place for alumnæ chapter meetings is followed. Very happy results in acquaintance between college girls and alumnæ result.

In other colleges the college chapters have formed the custom of setting aside one special night each month which is known as "Alumnæ Night." All resident alumnæ have a standing invitation to dinner on that night and to the meeting following. This too is a successful plan.

Last winter, in conformity with general food conservation, many alumnæ chapters abandoned their custom of monthly luncheons at hotels; instead they served luncheons at homes of members. Four members provided the food and a fifth member the use of her home. The difference between the price of food and the usual luncheon charge formed the chapter's war funds. Sometimes these meetings took the form of an all-day sewing bee for the Red Cross.

A most successful alumnæ reunion plan is carried out in Seattle. Here several fraternities have what they call "Drop-In-Luncheons," that is, they decide on a day and an hour each week when all members shopping or otherwise detained downtown at luncheon time go to one tea room where they all can eat and talk together.

**Do you know this is Kappa Alpha Theta's fiftieth year?
Come to the birthday party (convention).**

AMONG OUR CONTEMPORARIES

The alumni officer of Phi Gamma Delta has enrolled a large force of assistant secretaries; the plan being to have such an assistant in every town of 10,000. These active assistants pass on alumni news to the general office, make an effort to interest and organize all resident alumni, and send college chapters word of students entering college from their cities.

Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi have both had well established club houses in Washington, D. C. to house comfortably their members working in the city during the war. Plans for a Theta house were under way, as well as similar plans by other fraternities, when the armistice was signed and it seemed best to suspend action until it was known how many of our members were to be in the city indefinitely. The difficulty of finding an available house, plus the exorbitant rents asked in Washington, makes such enterprises hard to carry to success.

Louise Fitch, Grand president of Delta Delta Delta, was in France for some months, doing special journalistic work for the Y. W. C. A.

The woman doctor whose exploit of taking a boat load of wounded American soldiers from Chateau-Thierry battle to Paris, figured in the news so largely, was Dr Hopkins, Grand president of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Another fraternity Grand president, Nellie Hart of Phi Mu, was executive secretary in charge of women's work in the United war work campaign for the Southern department.

WAR WORK OF THE WOMEN'S FRATERNITIES

Chi Omega is raising a service fund of \$40,000, of which about \$6,000 was on hand in November, 1918. This is to be a permanent fund, only its returns being used annually. During the war emergency gifts will be made to the Committee for devastated France and to the Young Women's Christian association overseas service. Later the income will be used to further social or economic progress, to finance expert investigations and studies of social and economic problems especially affecting women.

Alpha Gamma Delta has a Christmas patriotic fund, but the ultimate beneficiary is not determined yet (December, 1919). It has specialized on knitting the past year, and everywhere has given enormous quotas of knitted garments to the Red Cross.

Kappa Kappa Gamma has formed what it calls the "Aunties of Bellevue-Meudon." The work is under the supervision of a Kappa alumna, Mrs Dorothy Canfield Fisher, the author, who is living in France. The work is to furnish relief for the people, especially children, of Bellevue-Meudon. Money is sent and also clothes, both old and new. Mrs Fisher writes that she hopes to have the work continue for at least three years under Kappa gifts and then to see it taken over by the commune as a permanent community activity.

Delta Gamma funds go for the needs of Belgian children, through the supervision of Mrs Vernon Kellogg of the Belgian relief commission. They issued cards that would contain one foot of dimes, and these were filled in to the slogan of "a mile of dimes." This work differs in one respect from that of other fraternities, with exception of that of Gamma Phi Beta; the fraternity acts as the collector of the fund but gifts are not limited to Delta Gamma members, as they solicit dimes from any one interested in the cause.

Phi Mu has raised a fund to support one of its own members in overseas service, Miss Grace Lumpkin who went over under Young Women's Christian association appointment.

Alpha Chi Omega has been interested in adopting war orphans. The national fraternity manages the business, but each chapter, or individual member, adopts as many orphans as desired and sends the funds for such to the national officer in charge of the work. Then the chapter sends clothes and other gifts direct to its orphans when their names are furnished. Fifty-six orphans had been adopted by the end of the summer of 1918.

Sigma Kappa has raised a generous war fund, which it has divided between the American Red Cross, the Recreational camps, and the French orphan fund. Last year this fraternity also adopted a national philanthropy—the support of the Maine seacoast mission,

which brings light and pleasure to the children isolated on the light-house islands of Maine.

Gamma Phi Beta is most interested in Belgian relief through its distinguished worker on the Belgian commission, Mrs Vernon Kellogg. They are supporting a Gamma Phi Beta shelter caring for Belgian children under the organization of Countess Van Steen. The funds are raised by the Milk bottle campaign—familiar to movie theater frequenters, as these stands, with their two quart milk bottles to receive the pennies are placed in front of such theaters throughout the country. This work, like the Delta Gamma work, finds the fraternity acting as head of a service to which the world at large is invited to contribute. Gamma Phi Beta also gave \$500 toward the furnishing of the Hostess house at the Great Lakes naval station.

Delta Delta Delta is assuming the entire support of the Foyer des alliées at Tours. This is a foyer for women industrial workers in Tours. The Young Women's Christian association is in charge, but Delta Delta Delta pays all the bills and also furnishes gifts—one chapter sending pillows, another Victor records, others pictures, and so on.

Pi Beta Phi at its convention in July, 1918, arranged to send one Red cross nurse overseas, paying all expenses. Its committee on war work has recommended that the fraternity undertake the following additional patriotic program: "That two scholarships of \$200 each be awarded sometime this year to undergraduate women who are specializing in subjects valuable for the reconstruction work of the post-war period. Such subjects as dietetics, nursing, medicine, chemistry, etc. may be cited as examples.

"That three sums of \$200 each be placed at the disposal of Deans of women who are facing the perplexity of providing for the incidental expenses of French visiting scholars."

Beta Sigma Omicron endowed for one year a bed in a Red Cross hospital in Paris and adopted nine of the Fatherless children of France.

DEMOCRACY

If the critic asks how self-perpetuating groups can be democratic, our answer is ready: Only through loyalty to the smaller group can the individual be trained for the service of all. As the single family trains the boy for citizenship, as the single squad trains the soldier for marching with his regiment, so a small college group dominated by high ideals may be, and often has been, the finest possible school for the effective service of the nation and the world. To give up family in order to promote universal brotherhood would be a reform against nature; to break up the squad in order to improve the regiment would be folly. Rather must we seize the groups as we find them—family, or squad, or group of friends—and by removing selfishness and suspicion, by exalting the ideal of public service, build them into the enduring structure of the nation.—W. H. P. FAUNCE.

MORE LETTERS FROM OUR THETA CANTEEN WORKER

Bourges, France,
December 6, 1918

Dear Hope Mecklin,

I just want to embrace you and all the fraternity. Words cannot fully tell you how glad I am to be here and how grateful I feel to you all. I regret that I did not arrive before the big fight was over, but I am still able to be of some use.

(Next she describes her trip across and early days in Paris an account of which appeared in the last *Journal*. Only one sentence in this part is interesting to repeat: "Our group leader was Mrs Sheble, a Cornell Theta, from Greenwich settlement house.")

Thanksgiving I really rendered my first service. In the morning I packed baskets with matches and cigarettes. In the afternoon I helped at the Casino. The Red Cross took over the Casino and Follies for a matinée for convalescent soldiers in hospitals near Paris. The boys came by truck and train. Some hobbled in, some were carried. At the door I gave cigarettes and matches; at intermission Mary Elizabeth candy. The boys were so cheerful, except one lad who cried all the time—nerve shock. Some of them had not seen an American girl for months except their nurses—you just couldn't get away from them,—they must tell you all about each wound.

November 30 I received my Red Cross worker's permit, travel permit, army zone permit and got out of the clutches of the omnipresent French police. This canteen is on the line of communication between front and seaport. It is one of the largest in France and noted for its good food. Besides the canteen proper there is the canteen marmite (coffee) kitchen, the rest room, dormitory, dispensary and barracks. There are twelve girls here working in eight hour shifts. This week I have worked afternoons as sandwich girl. I have cut tons of bread and spread all kinds of goo, at least seven hundred sandwiches an afternoon. Sometimes an M.P. comes along who can use a bread knife, so that allows two of us to spread. At any moment we stop when a troop train arrives. We serve them coffee only—anywhere from 200 to 2000 men—after men are lined up beside the train. I like that.

Tomorrow night I take night shift as marmite girl. That means that I boss the coffee making and do the work if my French woman fails to come. There are six boilers called marmites, holding about 90 gallons each. We use charcoal for fuel, so it takes from two to two and a half hours for the water in the marmite to boil. The coffee is put in the huge sacks, condensed milk added as it is lifted, also sugar, then poured into cans called bidous. Fourteen of these are

kept filled if possible, standing in a trough of hot water ready for train service any minute. One bidou will serve thirty men.

We serve breakfast from six to nine. For a franc the boys buy coffee, bread, jam, and breakfast food. Lunch from 12:30 to 2:00; dinner from 6:30 to 8:00. Then for a franc and a half we give meat, two vegetables, bread, coffee and dessert at dinner. The food is good—I enjoy every meal. Between meal times we sell coffee for 20 centimes, sandwiches for 25 centimes. Any boy without money receives his food just the same. We always give back their francs if we see their pile is low—usually they have “beaucoup frankies.” The French receive coffee and French bread from 9:00 to 12:30 A. M. 2:00 to 2:30 P. M.; 8:00 on in the evening, for 25 centimes. Sometimes the canteen looks like a regular French club.

We all live in an old villa five minutes walk from the canteen. We have hot water, furnace, living and dining room, French maid and cooks—all the comforts of home, except that the bathtub has a brand new leak. We eat at the canteen when on duty, but we can get all meals here with tea at 4:30. All this elegance costs only 200 francs a month but our laundry will make 50 or 75 francs more.

Before the war Bourges numbered 45,000. Munition works have now brought the total up to over 100,000. It is a railroad center, and the central records office for A. E. F. [There is an army post near town and also the headquarters of the 20th engineers. We went to a party there last night—two Y. M. C. A. entertainers, then dancing. Beaucoup boys, few girls.

No one knows how long this canteen will keep open. It depends upon the rapidity with which American boys are sent home. I cannot see more than six months work here now but new developments may come. I am simply bubbling over with enthusiasm and love for my work. My back aches every night, and I get little time for pleasure, but it is enough to know you have helped our boys. Already I have looked at dozens of pictures of sweethearts, wives and babies and heard all about the home back in the U. S. It is such a wonderful experience. I could rave on another hour. You will understand that I have little time for letters, because when my duties are over it is usually bed for me. I feel fine except a slight cold and my appetite is disgustingly large.

Bourges, January 18, 1919

Dear Hope Mecklin,

I fear that you may misconstrue my long silence as lack of appreciation, and that would be a grave error. Every day I thank you and all Thetas for sending me while there is yet work to be done.

This is a great convoy season—convoys carrying supplies for the army of occupation, convoys between interior bases, and convoys for the ports. The French railroad system is taxed to its utmost with

whole divisions travelling to base ports, not to mention their own troops. These convoy men are a perfect joy. Sometimes they have not had a real meal for two days and they fairly scrape their plates. Again they have not seen or talked to American girls for ages and if we are too busy to talk to them, they love to hang over the counter and listen to our voices. They are so sick and tired of French. Monday, a convoy of Philadelphia boys, forty strong and absolutely penniless came in. They begged for work. Fortunately we had some supplies to be unloaded and stored, and then I initiated five of them into the sandwich game. It was pouring outside so they K.P.'d in the canteen all day. The next morning we sent them off happy—each with a box of cigarettes and a cake of chocolate. The boys who live here in Bourges are a spoiled lot—they always have plenty to eat and many luxuries—so it makes you feel good to be able to give food freely to needy cheerless boys. Two captains here said that a day in Bourges saved the morale of their boys—rainy weather and bad trucks had put them all on edge.

The Red Cross situation in France is very unsettled. At present our directrice is in Paris. We are looking for a lot of news when she returns. We cannot tell how long the Bourges canteen may continue although we are on the direct line of communication between the front and Brest, St. Nogaire, or Bordeaux. Some of the older girls are clamoring to go to Germany, but I am too young (?) and too inexperienced in canteen service to be considered for such work. On March 1 my eight day permission begins. I go first to Paris, then directly to Nice. My companion is a delightful girl from Arkansas.

We made up a Christmas fund so we could give the boys extra luxuries—such as three Christmas trees, garlands, holly, mistletoe, Santa Claus, nuts, candy, cigarettes, mince-pie and gum. Nowhere in France did the Red Cross take a sou on Christmas day—everything was free and we had beaucoup turkeys. We had enough candy and cigarettes to give to the boys on New Year's. The day after New Year's we had a party for the poor kiddies of the town. We stripped the decorations from the tree for them, and filled them up on cake and candy.

With the New Year, we began a series of Sunday evening "open-houses" at the chateau. The hours are from seven to eleven—buffet lunch, music and dancing. The first one was terribly funny. It was for high rankers only—captains to colonels inclusive. They enjoyed the lunch, especially real homemade American cake and ice-cream, but the rest of the evening they were as stiff as ramrods, each one afraid of appearing undignified. Next we had enlisted men. They ate everything in sight, even cleaning the freezer. And how they danced! Last we had the postal truck boys, who are the canteen's right hand men. They seem like younger brothers to all of us. Tomorrow night the lieutenants come. It gives the boys a glimpse of

home life that they relish and I think helps to ward off the beckoning smile of our street mademoiselles.

Recently we have broken into French society. First three representative women of Bourges came to call. One of them was the wife of the French officer managing the Pyrotechnique, and spoke excellent English. We passed inspection as later events have proved. Last Monday Baroness Fain opened her house for the first time in two years—since her son was killed—to American and French women. The exterior of the house was very plain, but the interior beautifully furnished. As usual, I talked a mixture of French and English. Tea, chocolate, cakes were served—I must tell you about that when I get home. Then a young girl played the violin like Kreisler. Just as we were ready to leave small glasses of champagne punch appeared—delicious.

A French girl who sat beside me seemed pleased with my English, so she invited me to tea on Thursday. Armed with my permission companion and a small dictionary, I sallied forth. We found four girls there, then that made six around the tea table. The dictionary was a great joke, but all of us were glad to resort to it when words failed. I had a fine time—the girls are so eager to learn English—they fairly drink in one's words.

My best wishes for your healthful, happy New Year.

Lovingly yours,
Ruth Townley

CHARTER GRANTS, 1919

Alpha Chi Omega—University of New Mexico and Purdue university.

Alpha Gamma Delta—Coe college, Iowa state college, University of Illinois.

Alpha Omicron Pi—University of Pennsylvania, University of Kansas.

Alpha Phi—Montana state agricultural college.

Alpha Xi Delta—Coe college, Cornell university.

Delta Delta Delta—Oregon state college, Washington state college.

Delta Zeta—Baker university (reestablishment), University of Wisconsin.

Gamma Phi Beta—University of Oklahoma, Iowa state college, Oregon state college.

Kappa Delta—Lawrence college, University of Minnesota.

Kappa Kappa Gamma—University of New Mexico, Purdue, University of Pittsburgh.

Phi Mu—University of Tennessee (reestablishment).

Pi Beta Phi—University of Pittsburgh, University of West Virginia.

Sigma Kappa—Oregon state college.

Zeta Tau Alpha—University of Pennsylvania.

LETTERS FROM FRANCE

Oct. 18, 1918

We are about fifty miles from the firing line and pretty busy. We landed yesterday noon and went on duty about 4:30 to help out with a bunch that came in at three. Our quarters are better than I expected and food very good.

The country here is beautiful. The quaintest village you ever saw. There is a town crier who stops on each corner and beats a drum, then tells the news. We stopped and hoped it was good news. There is a grave-yard back of the quarters where some of the ornaments on the tombstones are made of beads. The thatched roofs on the hospitals are dear.

We are very much excited on our ward today. They are putting up a real American stove and now we will have some heat. How under the sun the French live with the things they call stoves I don't see. The one we have on our ward is very peculiar. Has a mind of its own, I would say; when the fire gets low you can't add more wood, have to take the ashes out and start all over. It takes three hours to take the chill off a bucket of water standing on the top. That's all history and goes along with the rest.

I went shopping in the village this morning and bought some dark blue calico to make covers for our suits, paid \$1.30 a yard for calico that would have made fine overalls. And it was cheap at that.

Nov. 5

Most every one here understands some English so if you use good old American along with a few motions you get along fine. They are used to one's wild gesticulations but the girls have a circus when we go any place.

One of the maids in the nurses' ward speaks fairly good English. Whenever we ask for anything in English, she repeats it in French and makes us say it until it is right. True, she isn't as swift in serving but a dandy teacher.

One of the maids lives in Australia, came home on a visit and has not been able to get back. Has a family and everything. How would you like to be in her shoes?

Well from the looks of things tonight it will soon be over and she can see her family.

Am on night duty again, so far it's going along pretty good. We will probably have a new bunch of patients now as a fresh convoy just came in. Sure will have to step some. K, one of the girls from Travis, is on with me and we have the sickest pneumonia patients; mighty popular ward just now with all of the influenza, etc.

It's raining again and that means skate over to supper. When you don't stick, you slide in the mud. When we go home to "God's coun-

try," I will go around with the worst looking shoes. You get so used to the mud it wouldn't be natural to wear a pair of descent ones once more. This afternoon one other night nurse and myself got up early and went for a walk in a park back of the Chateau. It is wonderful. There was a path along the top of the hill up in the woods and it makes me homesick for Les Cheaux. Looked just like the path back of Renyon's cottage down to the point. Way up in the woods is an old cave arrangement. You don't see it until you are almost on it. The trees are so thick it looks something like a cyclone cellar in Kansas. It's supposed to be an underground entrance to the Chateau. You can imagine all sorts of adventures. Then up around the Chateau is the most wonderful lovers lane you can imagine. Yes Mary you get it bad when you see such things going to waste. You know we are restricted from going with the officers here. They come to our dances but that's all we can see of them.

We are spoiled though, who wouldn't be when some of them walk ten miles just to dance about an hour with some real American girl once again.

When you send your Xmas packages to the soldiers if this isn't too late in reaching you, be sure and send Campbell's cigarettes as they are hard to get. I brought some with me and passed them out on my ward, was nearly mobbed. Those boys were so tickled to get them. Nearly fell over, had no idea they were so fond of that particular brand.

Nov. 6

There is the cutest little orphan boy attached to a regiment here; was picked up near a battlefield on Chateau Thierry drive last July. All of his family were killed and some officers have adopted him and will take him back to the states. He winds the men in his regiment around his finger. They have cut down a uniform for him and he is the cutest thing you ever saw. Is learning English fast too. Usually meet him in mornings on his way to school while out on our walk. Most of the children can say "Hello" and shout to you every time you pass. They think they are as smart as we when we can say "Bon Jour."

We have had better night lunches than we ever had in training or at Travis, as a French girl cooks us a warm supper every night.

Nov. 10

Isn't the news great! A man on a motorcycle just went through saying the German's had signed the armistice. The men in the ward took a new lease on life. And one man asked for his clothes right away. Said he was going home.

The other day we went to that church in the village to say prayers for the boys leaving for the front. The Church was built in Caesar's time and the quaintest place you ever saw. The stone floor is worn

in places where people have walked so much. The altar is lovely and to think of such a church in this part of France. People surely give all they can to support it. When we came out the old Priest who was in the yard raking leaves gave us each a medal. They are supposed to be blessed and much like a good luck charm, I guess.

I wear woolen underwear, tights, woolen stockings, a heavy woolen fleeced lined arrangement the French call a petticoat, my gray sweater and then sometimes my cape, and sheep skin shoes over my others. When you hug the stove your face burns and your back freezes. However such things can't last forever and I will soon be off night duty. And now that the war is over this place will be evacuated or turned into a rest camp.

Nov. 11

Last Monday morning I came off night duty so had a grand day. First we went over to Andelot to have a perfectly good beefsteak and French fried potatoes. Oh but they were good! Then to a church 700 years old and sat in the pew Joan of Arc used. The church is beautiful. We wanted to go to Charemont but could not find transportation so started back by the long road. It was so pretty and I did something I have wanted to do ever since coming to France, rode in one of those two wheeled carts. There was a nice old man riding along the road in one filled with straw. We stopped him but could not make him understand, so I just climbed in beside him. He was tickled to death and jabbered away at a great rate but the only thing we understood was "Le guerre fini." Then he would nod and jabber faster than ever. When I was ready to get out the horse went serenely on when I said "whoa" so I took the lines and pulled him in. After I thanked the old man, he stood up in the cart and bowed until I was afraid he would fall out, and kept repeating "Bon American" over and over. A little farther on we met another larger cart, so all five of us got in to ride to another village. All the soldiers laughed when they saw us.

We passed French trucks on the way home. They had their flags flying and were decorated with branches. Also filled to the brim with cognac. Poor things; you can't blame them, that was the day the armistice was signed and everyone was wild. That night in the village the street lights were on for the first time in four years. You surely blink after the total darkness you have been used to prowling around in.

Mary Alexander, Alpha Upsilon

(Was at Runancourt now at Mesve, Base Hospital #72, A. P. O. 798.)

St. Louis is the convention city.

THETA'S SERVICE FLAG

(Additions to list as appearing in Journals of May and November 1918 and January 1919)

Iota: Lena Edwards Shelbe (Mrs Franklin) of Greenwich house settlement, New York city, in charge of the Red Cross unit in France of which Ruth Townley, Theta's worker, is a member.

Lambda: Ruby F. Howe, in charge of the cafeteria canteen of the Soldiers' club under the War camp community service at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

Of her work Miss Howe writes: "We are open for business from eight in the morning until ten at night. The men seem to enjoy coming here at all times of day when they are free. They may bowl, play pool, or other games, write, read—have a shower bath, play the piano or victrola, visit with the hostess, or eat home made pie, cake, doughnuts, griddle cakes hot from the electric grill, and other good things. Every evening some entertainment is planned, musicals, movies, dances, occasionally lectures." Miss Howe expects to leave this month for similar service in France.

Rho: Marion Swezey, reconstruction aid, Camp Devens, Mass.

Phi: Mary Moore Clarke in France with the Children's Bureau commission headed by Miss Julia Lathrop.

Alpha Delta: Louise Pennington, Y. M. C. A. canteen worker in France.

Alpha Eta: Ellen Duffy, Y. M. C. A. canteen worker in France.

Alpha Iota: Clotilda Brown reconstruction aid at army hospital in United States.

Frances Hayes, Y. M. C. A. canteen worker in France.

Winona Petring, speaker throughout Southwest in the recent Red Cross campaign.

Alpha Upsilon: Marion Walp, reconstruction aid at Camp Pike, Ark.

Day Monroe, dietitian with Y. W. C. A. in Paris, France.

WHAT TWO THETAS FROM PHI ARE DOING OVERSEAS

Katrine Fairclough graduated with the 1914 class from Stanford. She is the daughter of Professor R. R. Fairclough who heads an ambulance unit in Italy. Katrine was greatly interested in over seas service and set about to prepare herself for it months in advance of her "call," by taking courses in physical therapy in San Francisco and Berkeley. She thought that she would have more chance to go over if she offered her services to the British government and finally received orders to go to Oxford, England. The following is an excerpt of one of her letters which was printed in the *Stanford Illustrated Review*—

You say you don't know much about my work-day. Well, at 8:20 I sally forth and go by two trams, or walk, if early, part of the way to the hospital, getting there by 9. We pass by the big U. S. rest camp and see many American soldiers every time a convoy lands them here. Then we go into a dressing room, which all the Aleric Peimget military nurses' corps used, put on our white gowns and caps, thus getting ready for work. We each have a table where we massage, and a little table, stool and chair beside it. M.'s (Margaret Stevenson of Menlo Park) and mine are side by side, so that makes it nice. We have patients come to us from 9 to 1, or go over to the wards to them, if bed patients. At 1 we lunch—boil eggs, make tea or cocoa, and all sit around a big table. M. and I sit at one end and our head at the other end, and we eat our packages of lunch till 1:30. Each week two of us take turns cleaning the table and it is Margaret's and mine this week. Then we work again from 1:30 to 4, usually a little afterwards, doing mostly bed patients then. Captain Broach, the head of our department at Alder Heyd Highfield, comes every Monday afternoon and Thursday morning and we see all new patients with him and the head. Then he comes around and looks at our cases and asks us questions and we him. We leave the hospital at 4:30 to go to the School of medical electricity until 6:30, when we return for dinner at 7. Then we study and talk electricity till bedtime. So you see for five days and a half each week we are fairly busy. We got some new cases in our hospital last week direct from France. They were wounded on Friday and were here in hospital on Sunday night. Pretty good transport system, was it not? The fresh wounds are so dreadful to see. The gunshot wounds look as though the men had been attacked by animals and gnawed. The explosive bullets go into the limb and swell and then explode in the limb, tearing everything out in holes. They are the worst cases, for the discharge from the wound is foul, and continues septic for months, even over a year in many cases.

My Tommies are a wonderful lot. We can get on good terms with them, and once you get their confidence, they don't mind telling you anything. And they are so unselfish and helpful to each other. Really, their spirit of comradeship with each other is splendid. I think it is being "over there" together which has done it; they go out boys—so many of them—and the experience gone through in France or wherever they have been, makes them return to England—men.

Florence Burrell graduated with the 1910 class from Stanford and has until the present been connected with the department of Physical education of the university. Florence is at present connected with Base hospital 114 at Bordeaux, France, where she is doing work in physical therapy. Her letters are written first from Base Hospital 6 at Bordeaux and then at Base 114, Bordeaux, and are reprinted from some used in the *Stanford Illustrated Review*.

I went through the surgical wards watching the dressings. These boys are certainly heroes. They were all of them in pain, but not one of them uttered a sound during the process. What they live through is astonishing. I think they marvel as much as we do at the rapidity with which these wounds heal. As soon as a man possibly can do so he gets out into the grounds on crutches—in wheel chairs—with canes, and there were many amusing races and contests in which these men took part when we celebrated on the 4th. The doctors are never again to keep patients long on crutches and in splints as of old. We are nearly back to the primitive way of treating some cases.

We had Pershing at Base 6 last week. We heard in the morning that he was coming, but we did not need to be told—such a bustling and cleaning and running around! He shot through the wards, seeing everything as he went, and

saying a few words here and there and then back to the front door just as I appeared in the hall. So I backed into the wall and got a smile and a "How do you do?" as he passed to his car. He said many nice things about our backing the men at the front and helping to keep them right.

Base 114—Beauesert—just what its name signifies. The hospital in the barracks form—still in the construction stage—much as Fremont looked when I left. Everything very military. No more Sunday service under the trees, choral singing nor good talks by Dr Cabot of No. 6. We've been terribly busy since the big drive began. It is all splendid and we are so proud of the grit and brilliance of our men. Sunday I heard that almost every one of my patients was to be sent to a convalescent hospital or back to duty to make room for the new ones. Nothing has ever made me so blue—to get to the place where my work was showing good results and then have the boys ordered back to the front. Those marines were such fine fellows, too!

At Biarritz—recuperating from the "flu." This is a most attractive spot—a favorite with the English as well as the French before the war. There are fine hotels—beautiful villas, and a fascinating fisher village where the women wear blue blouses, short red trousers, sunbonnets and wooden shoes. This country is a second Holland for wooden shoes. The maids at the hospitals wear them and slip into slippers when they begin work. We visited the naval station near by—saw and heard more of hydroplanes than ever before—the Italian and Bristol scout. The Curtis planes are queer-looking—like fish with their tails turned up!

A report of Germany's surrender reached the engineering camp near here, such a shout went up—the whole place was one howl. We ran out, and there were men in all sorts of attire running about like mad. When a camp of this size begins to celebrate it makes a good bit of noise! No one knew who started it and hardly any of them believed it, but they yelled for the news they wanted to hear. Let us hope it comes soon.

Our work is very heavy. Several of the "physical torturers," as the boys call us (alternating with "poor trash" or "pretty tough") are doing regular nursing or are in the surgical dressing work. So far I am doing my own work—so long as I am useful I don't care what kind falls to my lot. It is wonderful to know that you are doing vitally necessary work—whatever it is.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND POINTERS

The Fund has been used by 52 members up to October, 1918.

Members of 18 chapters have benefited by the Fund.

Why aren't you making the Fund available to your members, you 25 other chapters?

In only 4 chapters has there been one member only enjoying college by the Fund's cooperation. Elsewhere from 2 to 5 members have had loans, showing that acquaintance only is necessary to prove the Fund's success.

Loans to date total \$11,070.

Loans repaid already equal \$3,090.

The newer chapters make most use of the Fund. Does that mean publicity work has been better among them?

Are you sure no one in your chapter needs the cooperation of the Fund this year?

To leave college for "financial reasons" so long as there is one cent in this Fund has no justification.

A SEARCHER IN FRANCE

Savenay—Base Hospital #8

January 1, 1919

Happy New Year! This is a perfectly glorious one for me although I haven't yet found a place to lay my head tonight.

But to go back to Monday in Paris. Such a busy day—tearing around after laundry, trunks, railroad transportation, salary, etc. In the evening I went to a lovely dance and then on Tuesday, December 31, arose at six and took a taxi to the depot where I finally got deposited bag and baggage in a nice seat in a first class compartment, reserved for me. In the same were three young aviation Lieutenants as jolly as could be, a medical Lieutenant, and a French officer. At noon these men got off but the compartment soon filled with more officers, one a Major reporting to Base hospital #8 at Savenay. He took me under his wing and saw me safely here with all my trappings.

We had a lovely trip down. It did not rain much and we came through the wonderful Chateau country of France. Oh! it was interesting—Orleans, Tours, Blois, Nantes, Saumur and finally reached here about five p. m. It was dark and no one expecting us in spite of the fact that they had wired from Paris. My Major took me on a camion and brought me to the hospital where I reported at once to the Red Cross officer in charge who brought me to Miss Fletcher who is in charge of Searchers. After dinner we went over to a barracks set up for Hospital Hut workers where they made room for me to stay last night. I wish I could give you a picture of this barracks. It is about half the size of the S. A. T. C.—one floor, 6 by 8 rooms all so crude. There are two small stoves in each end and the whole building is fairly running over with girls. There are twenty-one in all I believe, a Vassar unit. It isn't particularly comfortable but I slept like a log.

I just can never, never describe this Hospital centre—the men and the organization. It is surely inspiring. After dark last night it seemed appalling in its immensity and in the great number of men and by *sunlight* it was more wonderful still. It is huge beyond words, ward, after ward, after ward laid out on the outskirts of this quaint little Breton village about which in itself I could write reams. This morning I went through the wards with Miss Fletcher to distribute oranges and to get acquainted with some of the nurses. I am still thrilled and awed.

Tomorrow the work is to be organized amongst us and we really begin to do something. I believe I am to have Hospital #69 with Miss White. We visit the wards (there are about 2000 beds), distribute and write letters and search. Then we take turns in the office, writing reports and answering mail.

We eat at Nurse's barracks and it costs us about sixty-three cents a day—less if we have breakfast somewhere else as we will do if we live in the village. And the village is adorable. It is perched on a heighth above the Loire and this morning with the sun shining—market day and a holiday and all the Breton peasants in town in their high two wheel carts, it was surely picturesque.

January 4, 1919

Well to go back to where I left off. That was New Year's night, wasn't it. I stayed that night with Miss White but the next afternoon after diligent search, Miss Fletcher and I found this room. We were directed here by a little French maid in the Green Oak Tavern. The house is of plaster and is on a typical street of a little French town. There are little plaster houses on either side and across the street is the village smithy before which there is always standing an old nag of some sort, horse or mule, and the sound of the anvil wakes me in the morning. My room is spotlessly neat, whitewashed, has a fireplace, a wardrobe, a dresser, three chairs, a table and a little cabinette de toilette. The French people in the house are charming. Mme. Le Breton seems to be in charge. Then there is an older woman, her mother I believe, her little girl Marguerite about three or four, and a sister. There are no men in the house they hastened to assure me at once. Marguerite's father has not been heard from since 1915 and one of the older woman's sons was killed. They were so pitiful in telling me of their heroes and showing me their pictures. It makes one fairly sick. They are very kind and attentive. I pay them seventy five francs a month and they give me a room, service, which includes polishing shoes, building fires, etc. and breakfast of coffee and toast. However I have to buy my own wood and supply my own butter and sugar. None of the family speak English so I hope I am going to speak French more fluently every day. The little Marguerite is dear and very anxious to get acquainted but I haven't been able to talk much to her yet.

So much for my new home. And my work—well honestly I simply cannot tell you the scope and bigness and interesting things in that. You can't do half you want in the day and the days simply fly. We cover altogether a hospital centre of 20000 patients. Our special care are the bed patients whose wants we try to satisfy. We equip them with toothpaste, shaving mugs, tooth brushes, tobacco and such things, write letters, send telegrams, and buy things for them in the village. Yesterday I ransacked the village for sweet pickles but could not find them. Then we do searching work and that means lots of desk work which we take care of evenings when there isn't a dance on in one of the Recreation Huts. But as that happens every night in one Hut or another and as there are so few girls and the boys want them so bad, one feels as if one must go at least every other night

and though we only dance until nine thirty, it is a rather strenuous life.

January 6, 1919

The rain is coming down in torrents and I'm still in the Hut, although it is after nine, hoping the rain will let up a little. I want to tell you of yesterday's interesting occurrences before I forget them in the rush of these full days. We worked busily all afternoon in the office getting out reports and piled up mail and after supper we went to the Auditorium where I saw a sight I shall not soon forget. This is an immense building which seats about ten thousand and it was filled to overflowing last night. There was to be a religious service but that was not what brought the crowd. The Argonne Players who were to give a performance after the service were decidedly the attraction.

But the service came first and it was enough to inspire me. The chaplain of the Base, a Mr Cochran gave a fine invocation; we sang, ten thousand soldiers strong, "Onward Christian soldiers" and other familiar hymns, and then a Y. M. C. A. man, a noted Chautauquan speaker Mr Piatt, gave the address. He was really very good although he pulled on our heartstrings talking about the folks back home. I saw one dear boyish Lieutenant in front of me surreptitiously brush away a tear or two. I loved him for it.

And after this came the real event of the evening, the Argonne Players. They are a group of men from the 77th Division, New York regiments, who got up this clever program and are touring the camps and hospitals giving it for the benefit of the men. They were Broadway's own sons, most of them. Their noses betrayed them. But they surely were fine and made a great hit. The program was more or less vaudeville and was very clever. We didn't get home until after eleven much to the anxiety of my little French Madame.

January 8

Another rainy day. Every day since I arrived it has rained and we wade through mud over our shoe tops. I'm starting my second week and I *never* was so busy. School teaching simply isn't in it. Yesterday I found one boy, blind, in the hospital who had just been released from a German prison. He had been reported among the missing and My! it gave me a thrill to write to his wife for him.

When I finish this letter I have to go shopping for my boys in the village. I have commissions to buy souvenirs, paper knives, wooden shoes, etc. pickles, raisins and I don't know what all for "frame cases" in one ward. Those are men whose legs or arms are held in frames. They are so pathetic. I have seen things here I never thought I could endure. Yesterday a doctor called me to look at one boy's arm which he was dressing. It was literally checkered with ugly green shot holes and I thought I should never get out of the ward although the boy

himself was scarcely cringing as the doctor probed. I was ashamed of myself. The boys are all so brave and cheery. It's glorious to work for them. I sent a cable yesterday for a young Lieutenant which read—"leg off but coming along finely." Isn't it all too tragic for words.

Marion B. Thompson, Alpha Upsilon

THE CARES OF A CATALOGUER

About a year ago Beta began to realize the importance of a card catalogue. We invited all of our 450 alumnæ to a "home-coming" week-end, and spent much time and energy writing invitations, and several dollars in stamps and paper for them. But, to our dismay, about one-fourth of those invitations never reached their destination. That does not look well for chapter efficiency. We had wasted time and money, and what was a far greater loss to the chapter than either, we had lost the interest of some eighty or one hundred of our alumnæ. That was enough to open our eyes, and then, for the first time in the present chapter we began to reform our catalogue.

At first the task seemed hopeless, the old system of cataloguing (of having card only in chronological order) gave many difficulties. But since we shall not need to deal with them again under the new system, I need not say anything about them now. We may as well let by-gones be by-gones.

We have had difficulties which very probably will arise again, and which we must find some solution for. It is the cataloguer's business to know the name, address, and occupation of everyone in the chapter, and these three items are very likely to change. There are a few sources which we always depend on for news of these changes. They are the personals in the *Journal*, university records of the alumnæ, and hearsay. These three sources are very important and we must use them to advantage. We find that the best method is for the cataloguer and her deputy to make a monthly, or bi-monthly investigation of all the news items in the *Journal* and in university publications, and to collect from the active chapter and the town alumnæ all bits of news that may be useful. Unfortunately the news that comes to us in this way is more or less accidental, and we are by no means sure that we know all of the changes. If we could depend upon each alumna to keep us informed of her whereabouts, and of what she is doing, the cataloguer's problems would be much simpler and her work would be more interesting.

There is one thing for which we must particularly strive—that is to win the interest of every one in the work. The catalogue does not mean simply a box full of cards that must be kept in order, but it is the one practical means which we have of keeping in touch with our alumnæ.

Henrietta Hepburn

Alumna reader, what will you do this day to lighten the cares of the cataloguer in your chapter?

COOPERATION

One of the finest displays of fraternity spirit between the active chapter and alumni has just come to notice and seems worthy of particular mention. A Fiji chapter in the Middle West, to hold alumni interest, follows the birthdays of their alumni members and every alumnus on his birthday, no matter where he is located, receives a beautiful engraved card from the active boys extending birthday greetings. You can imagine for yourself the kindly, interested feeling of sentiment the alumnus must have on receipt of this little remembrance. It brings back his fraternity days, it proves to him that he has not been forgotten as he no doubt feels. More than that it binds more closely the spirit of the alumnus to his active chapter. Don't you think your alumni would appreciate an expression of personal interest like this? It's worth trying, especially during these strenuous times.—*Phi Gamma Delta*, via A T Ω , *Palm*.

SIXTEEN WAYS TO TRY TO KILL A FRATERNITY

Contributed

1. Let some other brother do all the work.
2. Always take pains to criticize the work of other Fijis.
3. Never attend a meeting of your good old chapter.
4. Make it a point to stay away from the Ekklesia.
5. Overlook all opportunities to help fellow Fijis.
6. Turn down every call for aid, financial or otherwise.
7. Wear your fraternity pin in your jewelry box.
8. Once a year, at a banquet, tell how you love your Fraternity, after you have stayed away from every activity for a year.
9. Don't give the Fraternity a thought until someone asks you to buy a ticket to the banquet.
10. Never go to the banquet.
11. Always figure out how much gasoline you could buy with the amount of money you are asked to give.
12. Forget completely that it is a privilege to belong to this particular Fraternity.
13. Find fault with the active chapter whenever the slightest opportunity presents itself.
14. Let some brother introduce you to his tailor and then make the bill slip your mind.
15. Always carry a bucket of water and a hammer with you so you can put on the finishing touches.
16. By no means subscribe to the magazine.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

DEAD ONES:—From an engineering publication we learn that there are certain tests which the skilled physician employs in deciding whether life is extinct. One is to try the circulation; another is to test for the reaction of the muscles. We also learn that it does not require a skilled man of medicine to differentiate between a live fraternity man and a dead one. There are certain tests so simple and easily applied that they may be tried on any one—even on your own individual case, thus:

First—Examine his circulation. If his alumni club dues and *Quarterly* subscription are unpaid, the evidence is highly presumptive that he is dead.

Second—Test muscular action, especially in the legs. See if they appear to be strong enough to carry him to club luncheons, to club meetings and to neighboring chapter houses for visits now and then. *Rigor mortis* usually appears first in the legs of the dead fraternity man. Examine also the muscles of the arms and see if there appears to be sufficient strength to drag a brother to the meetings.

Third—Last, but not least, examine the brain. Note whether there is a capacity and willingness to work for the fraternity and to contribute something of experience and substance to it. Want of any activity in this direction is important corroborative evidence of dissolution.

If you have got this far and have given time to let the foregoing saturate your system, there is absolutely no use in saying anything further.—*Δ T, Quarterly.*

In the retrospect I can see there was one thing I never understood as a college man, nor can I now recall a single fellow-student who understood it. I speak of the attitude of the alumnus to the chapter. I think it was because we lived in different worlds, and there never seemed to come a real "message from Mars." I thought the alumnus was a cold-storage citizen who had forgotten he ever enjoyed the rah! rah! rah! days, and who must have been a fraternity man only while he was paying dues to his chapter. It didn't occur to me that life outside of college was a much more serious affair, that the business of making a living was a very engaging kind of thing, and that I ought not to expect the alumnus, just because he knew the "grip," to neglect his family and his business in order for us to rush freshmen or build a house. I didn't seem to realize that it was as much my duty to approach him as it was for him to come to me. I never seemed to think of writing him about the chapter and its problems and trying to offer him opportunities to help us. I seemed to be always expecting some rich alumnus to charter a yacht and take the chapter for a cruise, or to open his country place and give the chapter a week-end party, or to give us his town home for our chapter house. There were a thousand and one reasonable, rational things I might have expected him to do if I had only thought of them and suggested ways and means, but I didn't. Realizing now as I do, that my attitude in those days toward the alumnus was all wrong, suggests to me now that maybe the alumnus doesn't fully understand the chapter man, and I may write another story on that subject at a later time.—*Σ A E, Record.*

Sometimes when an alumnus comes back to visit his old chapter, particularly if he has been out of college so long that few, if any, of the undergraduates know him personally, he may get much the same sensation that is obtained by stepping under a cold shower bath. He is chilled, disappointed, sore. He cuts short his call or visit and goes away, and when he next meets a fellow member of his own period he complains bitterly about his treatment. The spirit of the chapter is wholly different, he says. Things are not as they used to be. The boys of today—and so on and so forth. He becomes a disgruntled and indifferent alumnus, perhaps even hostile to the chapter and the Fraternity.

This may not happen often, but it certainly does once in a while. It is possible for it to happen in any chapter, however active, loyal, and hospitable it may be. For it is more likely than not to be all the fault of the alumnus himself. Let the alumnus but put himself back a few years into the place of the undergraduate and he will see how this is. It is hardly human nature for the younger men to rush up to the returning alumnus and slap him on the back. He would probably resent it if they did, and yet somehow, contradictory as it may seem, this is the kind of a welcome that he craves, even though not one of the undergraduates knows his name. In the background of his mind hovers the picture of the fellowship, the freedom, the camaraderie of his own college days amid the same surroundings, and—yes, things have surely changed, and the fellows and the spirit are not the same! Of course, the old grad himself has not changed!

If the alumnus has in his heart the secret of youth, or if he will just remember how things were in such cases when he was an undergraduate, he will very rarely have any occasion to complain of the lukewarmness of the welcome when

he gets back to his chapter, or when he visits any other chapter. The situation is mainly in his own hands.—Δ K E, *Quarterly*.

Appeal is also made to buy war savings stamps and contribute same to the endowment fund. The plan is as follows:

"Let all good Phi Psis buy as many war savings stamps as possible and then turn them over to Phi Kappa Psi's endowment fund. This plan offers an unusual opportunity to help one's country and one's Fraternity."

"IT IS TIME FOR THE COLLEGE TO STRIKE BACK"

In the September *Scribner's* Arthur Hobson Quinn of the University of Pennsylvania begins a very interesting article on the "College and Business Efficiency" with the above sentence. The article is so good and so much in it applies to the college fraternity, that all loyal college people should read it.

Dean Quinn makes the following points:

I. That college is not perfect for it is a living thing, but that criticism of it arises from ignorance of the conditions of college administration.

II. That college is conducted more efficiently, is better coördinated, more flexible, and more honestly conducted than many business concerns, and does not use the flimsy excuse "that it is hard to get instructors" as a reason for not holding classes, as business firms do, in saying they cannot fulfill their contracts.

III. Only ten per cent of business corporations could tell the Federal Trade Commission the cost of their product. But nearly every college today is run upon the budget system.

IV. Efficiency in the truest sense is the performance of one's task so as to produce the best of which one is capable and to leave the creating force, at the completion of its task, better able to produce than before.

V. The alumni are the product of the college and American college men have proved that they can conduct themselves well in their relations with the world, as for example, the efficient service rendered by Rhodes Scholarship men in Belgium.

VI. In the supreme test the American college has proven for all time its efficiency as the producer of men.

To those who hold the fraternity second only to the college and have been grieved by unjust criticisms in each case, the article appeals as a timely reply to attacks on the colleges and offers many points of comparison for our fraternities. With absolutely no desire "to strike back" the fraternity system can easily show that the above points apply to it. For it is only too true that they are not perfect since they are living things and that the criticism of them has arisen from ignorance. Everyone should know that almost all fraternities are run

upon the budget system, and monthly reports from the chapters with annual visits from national officers insure a flexible, well conducted, and honorable organization.

But points IV, V, and VI especially appeal to the fraternity world, for the alumni, the product of the fraternity, have for many years proved that they could fill the demands made upon them by the world of affairs and of thought. With our men and women enlisted for overseas service or giving their time and money freely on war and relief commissions and our women filling men's places or serving quietly and satisfactorily in inconspicuous places, the fraternity world can proudly say that the fraternity "has proven for all time its efficiency as the producer of men," and best of all "it leaves the creating force, at the completion of its task, better able to produce than before."—*Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Watch for convention details in next issue.

THE CHAPTER ADDRESS BOOK

When you were a freshman, did you ever resolve that you would keep in touch with each and every member of your chapter throughout your whole life? It did not seem possible that you could ever lose track of one of those girls, whom you loved so dearly.

When you were a senior had your ideas changed? Had you written to all those members, who had graduated during the three previous years? Did you know where each was located, and what she was doing? In all probability you did not correspond with more than three or four of the girls, and you had but little information concerning the others. Committee meetings and work of one sort and another completely monopolized your time. Keeping informed concerning all chapter friends was decidedly impractical, if not impossible.

Then, when you, yourself, graduated did you carry out your freshman ambition? With how many members of your chapter do you now carry on a regular correspondence? Do you know which of the girls are married and where they are living? Have you any idea where the majority of your sisters, who are engaged in the teaching profession are located? We all have information in regard to a few of our Theta sisters, but we have to plead ignorance in regard to the majority.

Wherein does the difficulty or the fault lie? Is our love for Theta any less keen than it was during our freshman year, when we made such a resolution? Have we lost interest in those, who were so dear to us during our college days? No, no, but we are so busy in our own little corner of the world, that we do not find time to keep in touch with our scattered friends. To attempt a regular correspondence with each of this host of friends is a task utterly beyond us.

Yet, how interested we are in all our fraternity sisters! How eager we are for information about them! How quickly we pass on each bit of news concerning them!

Our *Journal* supplies some of this information. Alumnae eagerly search its personals for news of chapter friends. You may read of the marriage of one of your friends, but a year later when you need to know her married name, you may have to examine several issues of the magazine before you find the item again.

Recently I examined an address book issued by the alumnae association of a local fraternity at the University of Rochester. It occurred to me that the publication of such a book might be of decided benefit to any chapter. It would supply each Theta with the desired definite and interesting information of each member of her chapter.

The book was small, about three by five inches, convenient to carry with one's writing materials. It was attractively bound in heavy paper. The book could be compiled and published probably for about twenty or thirty cents a copy. Who would not gladly pay this small amount for its information? It is published every two years. If a girl has been married, her husband's name is given, her present addresses and the names and ages of her children, as for instance—

Mrs John Brown (Alice Smith)
Rochester, N. Y.

Janet Brown born 1910.

Stanley Brown born 1913.

Elinor Brown born 1915.

If on the other hand a girl is engaged in a business pursuit of any kind, her work is listed, as

Mary Jane Scott

Teacher of German at West High School

Rochester, N. Y.

Ruth Sibley

Secretary at the Executive Offices,
Carnegie Foundation, New York City.

Can you imagine the delight of a Theta, when she finds that an alumna from her own chapter is located in the town, where she is to be the following year? Perhaps she is to go there as a teacher or is starting her married life in that town. In either event how many questions she will have to ask of that other sister, and how much valuable advice that other sister can give her. It is a splendid feeling to know that when one goes to a new town, someone there will be interested in one.

Too often resident Thetas do not know of the opportunity to be of service to a sister Theta until too late. So, perhaps, even such a little address book might serve to bind each chapter together more closely, and to make possible opportunities for greater service to other Thetas.

Lois E. Frazee, Chi

Convention is coming! Be there!

ALUMNÆ, PLEASE HEED!

Has your state chairman your address? If not, why not? Where is a postal card? Use it TODAY.

When you change your address—or your name—do not fail to notify the national cataloguer. If you are a Journal Subscriber notify, also the editor, or you'll get no more magazines—the post office isn't a good detective.

Do you know about the Scholarship fund? How to make a contribution to it? How to arrange a loan for that undergraduate who should return to college next year? How much it has accomplished? Do you know its latest gift was a \$50 Liberty bond?

Do you know of a desirable chapter house chaperon or housemother? File their names and addresses with the Grand secretary. Our list now is very meager and the positions many.

How about your chapter's home? Is it adequate? Is it well managed? Hasn't the time come to plan to build a real home for the chapter?

The chapter house is *not* the home of a certain group of undergraduates. It is a home to which every alumna is a part, for to it she has contributed both materially and morally. Such a house must be run on strictly business principles, and so the oversight of competent *alumnæ* is needed constantly.

Did you ever stop to think how much money has gone, in the years past into chapter house furnishings? Do you know of a chapter house where harmony of color, or a continuity in style of furniture enters into the buying of a new chair, rug, etc. with the last gift from *alumnæ*?

Do you know of a chapter house where the furnishing has been wisely planned to make a completely charming home in due time? Well it is up to *alumnæ* to take up this problem and see that future generations of undergraduates may not suffer from unwise purchases made today as the chapters of today suffer from unharmonious blue rugs and other misfit gifts of the past. Think about this problem. Send us plans whereby we may get our money's worth in chapter house furniture.

What is your job? A vocational directory of our members is often needed to solve some problem, or answer some question. A postal card to the secretary will place you properly on this list. Send it today.

WHAT AN "OLD GRAD" WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT HIS CHAPTER

In dealing with other alumni, particularly the men of the earlier classes, many chapter secretaries overlook the significant fact that active chapters never really grow up, while their alumni mature very rapidly from the day they leave college. The successive groups of undergraduate members find the life of the chapter house so all-satisfying that they fail to realize that after all theirs is amateur living, no more like real life than college classes are like earning a living in an unfeeling world.

Alumni to a certain extent do regard their chapters as a sort of Ponce de Leon spring at which from time to time they magically can renew their youth for a few hours. Too many chapters, however, attempt to forge the lasting link with their graduates wholly of this purely sentimental relationship. They therefore neglect to give their outside supporters systematic reports of their real progress and often, after long silence, come to life only to solicit funds or to announce some social event of little significance to those busied with serious matters. Is it altogether strange, then, that alumni, of certain chapters at least, regard spontaneous solicitousness as to their presence on earth with much the suspicion a father bestows upon a constantly-filled wood box—just before Christmas or shortly before the advent of the circus?

An alumnus naturally wants to hear occasionally about the active membership and enough about their college honors to feel that tradition is being maintained or that standards are being improved. Those who contribute money have, of course, a right to complete statements at regular periods as to chapter finances and all projects involving unusual expenditures. The alumnus as he grows older and begins to realize that intimate life friendships are a matter largely of natural selection and are not to be created artificially by accident of membership, however, comes to demand, more and more, of the organizations to which he contributes, that they shall render some worthwhile service. Are students helped or hindered in their chief business—getting an education—by the chapter's life? Is the chapter fostering manhood or simply prolonging adolescence? The alumnus sees the chapter in truer perspective against his debt to the university—a vision difficult for undergraduate eyes. Therefore he is, or should be, concerned as to whether his chapter is an asset or a liability to the institution as a whole and is contributing to general progress.

These questions are not easy for the average undergraduate secretary to treat adequately in a chapter letter; consequently real constructive actions are not always outlined, and many chapter letters are merely undergraduate communications to those in other chapters. Any chapter, however, which maintains ideals of service and fails to keep its

constructive work clearly and constantly before all its alumni, is failing to advance its best argument for financial and other recognition.

It is well for the chapters not to become over-serious and it is advisable for them to communicate in their own way with the other chapters to the end that cooperation and unity of purpose may be maintained among the active or junior bodies. It would well repay the average chapter, however, to issue at regular periods, a second letter or report addressed to its older alumni and communicating matters in which the older graduates may be expected to have a real interest. Pains might be taken to keep alumni informed not merely of chapter affairs but also of changes and developments in the college itself. A faculty member or a nearby "Old Grad" probably will be glad to help prepare such reports—provided always the chapter in its life accomplishes things that older men will appreciate and commend.

The chapter that cannot justify its existence to men has no real right to expect their support, especially in this period of cataclysm. Such a chapter is a negative influence—even if not a vicious one—in an otherwise positive environment.

As a corollary to this suggestion, chapters would do well to encourage their alumni, through committees or other representation, to take an active part in formulating important chapter policies. The real business of each chapter is to turn out men, and the closer and more intimate the contact of the chapter with men worth following, the greater will be its service to the youth within its mystic association.—GEORGE W. WHARTON, B © II, from *Sickle and Sheaf* of A Γ P.

CITY PANHELLENICS

The Seattle association last year gave a series of talks upon the University of Washington to the girls of the various city high schools. Two ends were kept in view in these talks—to explain the university courses and their relation to vocations; to familiarize the girls with the activity organization of the university, honor societies, clubs, fraternities—with the hope that the embarrassment and bewilderment of the girls would be lessened by some knowledge of the life they would be plunged into as freshmen. On Thanksgiving day they held a pie sale on the University of Washington campus for the S. A. T. C.—proceeds of the sale going to increase the loan fund used to help girls finish their courses at the university.

The Indianapolis city Panhellenic has a scholarship fund that supports three girls at Butler college each year.

The Kansas city Panhellenic engages in some form of city social service each year. This fall each fraternity represented in the association furnished one member to assist in clerical work of the Better Babies week—each being responsible for one day's service.

The Bay cities Panhellenic has acted as hostess to the enlisted soldiers and sailors invited to spend Sunday afternoons in the beautiful gardens of Mr Charles Keeler in Berkeley.

ALUMNÆGRAPHS

So if your bit is not your best change it or get off. If the world cannot tolerate a slacker certainly Sigma Pi should not.—Σ Π, *Emerald*.

How can we become efficient alumnæ? Only by remaining actively interested and in touch with chapter and national affairs.

"A student on graduation does not graduate out of the fraternity. He graduates into it. All that went before was merely preparation."—Phi Gamma Delta.

If the alumna is not within easy reach of her chapter, then she should gap the distance between by letters or messages on all special occasions, such as Christmas, Founders' Day, Chapter Founders' Day, annual banquet, announcement of some great college honor come to the chapter, and like occasions. She ought to answer at once all invitations to banquets, dances, and so forth, from her chapter.—Α Γ Δ, *Quarterly*.

If she (an alumna) lives in the town in which a college chapter is located, she should visit the chapter at least once a month, and with the aid of her past experience advise and guide the girls to higher and better things without an antagonistic spirit.—Φ Μ, *Aglaia*.

Alumnæ should notify college chapters of desirable girls entering the college, and aid the chapter in pledging such girls.

What would Kappa Alpha Theta be if every Theta was a Theta just like me?

Dry alumni timber will not keep the chapter fires burning.—Phi Gamma Delta.

Is your chapter better because you belong to it? It cannot be the same.—Κ Α, *Journal*.

Every alumnus has had some advantage from his membership in his chapter.—Δ Χ, *Quarterly*.

Fraternity life seemed to offer the best opportunity to find out what men think, how they think, and why they think it.—Σ Α Ε, *Record*.

A Fiji without enthusiasm is what a motor is without gasoline.—Κ. L.—Phi Gamma Delta.

If your chapter is delinquent, send word to the chapter. A word from an alumnus is more effective than the Editor's familiar dun. If you alumni ask the reason why, you will get the news you wish to see.—Σ Ν, *Delta*.

The interest our alumnæ show in our welfare is most gratifying. Their support is indispensable.—Χ Ω, *Eleusis*.

Can your chapter speak thus of you, alumnæ?

No matter how many years you have been out of college, or for how long you have lost touch with your chapter, visit it at the earliest possible moment, write to its members, proffer your services or your advice.—Φ Γ Δ.

All *Journal* subscribers are good Thetas, but not all good Thetas are *Journal* subscribers. Let's get together!

Alumnæ, do you deserve this criticism? During my three years in fraternity I have written some five hundred news letters to alumnæ, each time asking them important questions and urging them to write to us. Out of each hundred I usually received about five letters. Now, what is the matter? Of course, I know some are busy with their housework, their husbands, youngsters, and clubs; but couldn't they find ten or fifteen minutes at least twice a year to answer their chapter letter when the active girls have gone to the time and trouble to write them the Alpha Chi news?—A X Ω, *Lyre*.

When did it cease to be discourteous not to answer letters?

Can you pass the test which *The Signet* of Phi Sigma Kappa offers its alumni concerning their loyalty?

- 1—Have you met all your chapter financial obligations?
- 2—Have you visited your chapter within three years?
- 3—Have you written to your chapter within one year?
- 4—Have you informed any chapter of a desirable incoming freshman within one year?
- 5—Do you wear your fraternity pin?
- 6—Have you sent any alumni notes to *The Signet* within six months?
- 7—Are you in correspondence with every other member of your delegation?
- 8—Are you actively in touch with other Phi Sigs in your vicinity?
- 9—Can you repeat the oath?
- 10—Do you really want to attend the next convention?

Alumni are to the active chapter as the forces at home are to the forces at the front—each needs the other.—K A, *Journal*.

The measure of interest and respect the chapter has in its alumnæ is in proportion to the support the chapter receives from its alumnæ.

The man who is not interested in his fraternity magazine is not interested in his fraternity.—K A, *Journal*.

From a purely selfish standpoint, we alumni cannot afford to have our chapters fail. They constitute the strongest bond between us and our college years and our college training.—K A, *Journal*.

St. Louis—July 3-7—convention sesame.

IN MEMORIAM

RUTH DONNELLY EDWARDS, *Psi '16*

The news of Ruth Donnelly Edwards' death two days before Christmas brought to us who knew and loved her a feeling of sadness and longing for the old days of comradeship far too deep to be very well expressed. It would indeed be hard to say anything at all adequate in appreciation of Ruth. To tell all things for which we loved her and shall miss her would be only repeating the things each of us has thought so many times since the sad news reached us. And the unexpected news of her death, sad enough in itself, was to us all the more poignant because it followed so closely upon the announcement of her marriage.

Ruth radiated happiness and to do that is no small service to the world. Ruth had the rare charm of making all those who knew her realize more keenly the joyousness of Life; indeed Life, itself, was the richer for having known her. Psi Chapter feels deeply the loss of one of its best-beloved sisters.

Riah Logan, Psi '15

It is difficult to believe that Ruth Donnelly Edwards has gone from us and the realization of her death brings a sense of loss to her many friends and to those whose lives touched hers only rarely and for a brief time.

Hers was a nature of unusual brightness and gayety, her presence made the simplest gathering an occasion of jollity. She was never in robust health but always made light of her troubles, with a smile and jest for everyone. Her wit and never failing good nature made her very popular and will cause her to be missed.

The light of her young life went down
As sinks behind the hill
The glory of a setting star—
Clear, suddenly, and still.
As pure and sweet, her fair brow seemed,
Eternal as the sky;
And like the brook's low song her voice,
A sound which could not die.

A quiet life was hers; yet she was one of those whom it is good for us to know, who scatter brightness as they pass and make the world a better place for their having lived in it.

The memory of thy loveliness
Shall round our weary pathway smile,
Like moonlight when the sun has set,
A sweet and tender radiance yet.

Annabel Robertson Marshall (Mrs Walter) Alpha Nu chapter, died with influenza.

Grace Koons, Eta chapter, class of 1911, nurse, died of influenza while nursing at the Detroit receiving hospital.

ERNA ZUTAVERN HULL, *Alpha Upsilon*
LOUISE HEATH KNIGHT, *Alpha Upsilon*

Erna Zutavern Hull died at her home in Detroit, Michigan, November, 1918, from influenza. She was graduated from Washburn college in 1916. On December 27, 1917, she was married to Oscar D. Hull.

Louise Heath Knight died at her home in New Haven, Connecticut, December 18, 1918, from the influenza. She was graduated from Washburn college in 1912. After leaving Washburn, she attended school in the East. For two years she taught in the Parsons, Kansas, high school. In the summer of 1917 she was married to Clifford R. Knight.

Both girls were members of Sigma Delta Psi, who worked so long for Theta. They were loving and loyal members, who stood for the very highest in Theta. They were popular and beloved not only among their own classmates but among the younger girls, who always eagerly welcomed them on their return visits. Their great influence for good will always be a cherished memory to the girls of Alpha Upsilon.

Catherine Conkling

NELLIE EARHART REITER, *Alpha Chi*
LERA CRANE HAMILTON, *Alpha Chi*

Alpha Chi lost two of her dearest charter members in the deaths of Nellie Earhart Reiter at San Diego, California, on January 19, and Lera Crane Hamilton at Lafayette, Indiana, on October 22, 1918.

BEULA NEEL, *Phi '14*

As loyal friendship typifies Thetahood, so Beula Neel was a typical Theta. From freshman enthusiasm over underclass fun to senior sympathy for a timid pledge, Beula was ever ready with the friendly smile and helping hand that strengthens real sisterhood. And in the days since graduation her interest in the chapter and Theta as a whole has never flagged.

Her death from pneumonia on January 19 has taken from our midst one loved by many—an alumna whose silver link in the chain of Theta hearts shall ever brighten as memory cherishes her deeds and loyal service.

She entered Stanford in the fall of 1910 and graduated from the Botany department in May 1914. The next year was spent in special study at the Santa Barbara state normal school. One year's teaching was near Stanford—at Miss Harker's school in Palo Alto, and since then she had been teaching in the public schools in Los Angeles.

LAURA BENNETT LE CRON

It is with deepest grief and the profound realization of a great loss to us that the Baltimore alumnae chapter gives word of the death of Laura Bennett Le Cron who died Jan. 6, from influenza. Laura, who was so dear to us and to Alpha Delta, had many close and intimate friends in both chapters. Her two Theta sisters are Alice Bennett Pollard (Mrs Wm) and Grace Bennett Davis (Mrs C. P.). To them we would extend our truest, deepest sympathy and understanding in theirs', the greater loss.

Donna McKinstry Grant (Mrs C. F.) of Upsilon chapter, class of 1912.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VS. COEDUCATIONAL COLLEGE

Feminine characteristics are much the same the world over but different environments tend to vary the emphasis on one phase or another of them and thus produce very different types.

One notices this in comparing the women of a large college maintained solely for women, with those of a coeducational university. There are always factors not common to the two institutions which make difficult the comparison.

Of the two which I have in mind, one—the woman's college—is in a medium-sized town, the other in a city; one in the East, the other in the West; one draws its student body from all over the world, the other largely from a single section of the United States. One has many graduates of boarding schools, the other comparatively few. These are non-essential factors when seen in relation to the obviously fundamental one of presence and absence of men students.

College activities of every sort have grown up in the woman's college. Student government, weekly and monthly publications, athletics, glee clubs and orchestras, dramatics, literary and debating societies, even "prom" form part of the complex organism of the college and these activities are planned and managed by girls alone. They have more opportunities to get a sort of experience in important executive work which only occasionally comes to the coed. In the large university where there is marked division of labor, the woman student rarely has the chance, for instance, to edit the year book or manage the chief dramatic event, although she may have the lead in it.

So I find in the woman's college a certain "group spirit" of women working together for the larger interest of the whole, which is not so well defined among the coeds. The former learn more of the resources of their own sex and have to some extent more of a sense of comradeship in business than do the coeds. I suppose it comes from standing by themselves.

On the other hand, the coed surely sees the world more normally. She has the advantages of seeing men's point of view, of enjoying their

sense of humor, of dealing with them often and thus perhaps gaining more sense of the relation of things.

In woman's colleges woman seems to have more originality in amusement and more independence in it. She enjoys informal "bats" galore but fewer dances and "dates." Recreation she loves for its own sake rather more, I believe, than her coed sister. She idealizes men more, however, and is much more apt to be "mad" about the passing actor or poet. "Crushes" too are more common than among the coeds.

I have only hinted at some of the lines of differences which have impressed me in coming as a graduate of a woman's college to the graduate school of a university. These lines cannot be arbitrary for the differences of individuals are exceedingly great. They are only applicable to the average woman in either case, if such a person exists.

Catherine Okey

St. Louis—July 3-7—convention sesame.

FRATERNITY TRAINING

Books on vocational guidance tell us that, of the qualities which make for success in business, the following are considered especially important: self-reliance, tact, self-control, resourcefulness, adaptability, poise. These are all qualities which fraternity life, especially life in a fraternity house, is likely to develop. In the first place, when one wishes to market one's ability in business life, it is essential that one be able to impress upon the employer one's best qualities. The fraternity member is early taught to appear to the best advantage possible, and to make the most of such talents as she may have. To be sure, she may use her talents with no higher motive than to please some prospective member, but at least she realizes the necessity of displaying the utmost that is in her. The fraternity girl is forced to use tact in handling the difficult situations that arise in meeting new girls, in associating with other members of her fraternity, or in adjusting misunderstandings with other organizations.

The fraternity is a miniature world, where one meets on a small scale most of the situations that are encountered in life, with the added advantage that the older members of the fraternity—gently, if possible, severely, if need be—see to it that the new members do adjust themselves. The girl with the stiff, awkward manner is made to relax; the girl with the loud voice or conspicuous dress is "toned down"; the untidy girl must make herself neat, or stand the continual gibes of her associates. She must learn, also, to take their criticism in good spirit, or else be miserable much of the time. Hence it is that the girl who has acquired these qualities before she leaves college has an advantage over the girl who must gain them by a more painful process while engaged in the real business of life.

OLIVIA POUND.—K K T, *Key*.

SOME THETAS YOU SHOULD KNOW

GRACE PHILPUTT

President District I

Grace M. Philputt, the new president of District I needs no introduction to the Thetas of Indiana nor to the entire district. From the time that Theta has had the honor of claiming Miss Philputt among her members, we find her loyal to her initiation vows and ever eager to carry the name of Theta a notch higher in the ladder of fame. She is a graduate of Indiana university where she also received her M.A. with the honorary degree of Phi Beta Kappa. After her two degrees had been received from Indiana university, she attended Bryn Mawr college for a year, doing special work in French.

It was after this training that Miss Philputt accepted the position of teaching French in Shortridge high school, Indianapolis, where one teacher of the subject had been quite sufficient. In a short time, she had built up such a department that three teachers were necessary instead of one. This rapid growth was not due to her excellent scholarship alone, but to her charming personality which is one of the chief causes of her success. She had a remarkable influence over the high school boys and girls which was always for good. We unblushingly say that this influence has given us many of the best of our younger Thetas.

After several years of teaching in Indianapolis, Grace took leaves of absence at two different times and spent a year at each absence in Europe, traveling and studying the Romance languages along with the habits and customs of the French peasants. After a short stay at Shortridge, she accepted a position in the French faculty at Indiana university. Here her success continues, and we find her constantly increasing her list of possibilities and enlarging her scores of honors.

In the recent country's stress, Grace was one of the first to volunteer for service. Her untiring efforts finally settled on the French relief division, where she brought forth bountiful fruit. With that same convincing trait, she accosted friend and foe and generally left each plus a French orphan.

It is just that indomitable spirit which characterizes Grace's every act; which has brought her into prominence among Thetas, and which will bring her success as District president.

Edistina Hendrix Rutherford

ALICE TOWNE DEWEESE

Alumnæ Secretary

Alice Towne Deweese graduated at the University of Nebraska in 1905. While there were literally hundreds of others in the class, a list of her activities at the time make her appear the feminine counterpart of the famous Ko-Ko in "The Mikado." She was editor-in-chief of

the Senior book, she was voted the most popular girl in the class, she held some sort of a class office, she was a member of Black Masque and Phi Beta Kappa, a star on the varsity girls' basketball team, president of the Panhellenic—and a lot more. As an undergraduate she assisted in the woman's gymnasium both at Nebraska and at Chautauqua, N. Y. After graduating in Physical training, she went abroad for further work, staying a year at the Royal institute, in Stockholm. When she returned, she became head of the woman's physical education department at Nebraska and was launched on a career of glory, which she rudely interrupted to marry Mr Fred M. Dewese, Phi Kappa Psi, Nebraska and Columbia, and to go with him to a beautiful farm in southeastern Nebraska. They have two children, now, Martha and Wilford, and besides being wife, mother and farmer, Alice has done quantities of outside things, especially during the war, when she was state chairman of Production for the woman's committee of the Council of Defense. She has been state chairman for Theta for years and gets out the best news letters you ever read. Kappa Alpha Theta is lucky to get her services as national alumnae secretary.

SKETCH OF BESSIE (BETTY) NEWSOM

President District VII

Born sometime between twenty and twenty-five years ago at a Southern Tennessee plantation home, half a village in itself and still bearing the family name, this Theta, Bessie Newsom (familiarily known as Betty Newsom) by all theories of heredity and environment's influence should have been a gracious lady of home and hearth. But before she was fifteen, she had left this home to travel with a member of the family, who recognized a kindred "Wanderlust" spirit in her, through most of our Western, Northern and Eastern states and save for college days, she has been little in Tennessee.

With some strange guidance of home-ties perhaps, she wished Vanderbilt university, Nashville, Tennessee for her Alma Mater and there it was she became a Theta as a freshman pledge of Alpha Eta chapter. In her three years there she secured a Phi Beta Kappa record and B.A. and M.A. degrees with English Literature as a speciality. Further special work at Harvard and Chicago universities with arrangements made for Ph.D. work at Leipsic seemed to indicate teaching as a goal, but only three years of it at the Woman's college of Mississippi and Goucher college, Baltimore, Maryland, and she took up the study of law, at George Washington university, Washington, District of Columbia.

With one of the law firms of the Capitol City, she seems to have settled down, to have found the diversity of experience and the opportunity to add constantly to her list of friends—in other words the satisfaction of the "Wanderlust" spirit and there she is most anxious to meet all Thetas, who pass through or stop over for a while.

ETHEL MAUDE SMITH LOWRY

President District VIII

Only five hundred words to sing her praises in,
Justice couldn't be done in a million and ten.
She's tall, she's graceful, she's fair,
And much of her beauty is in her raven black hair,
And her eyes of brown—unequalled by beauties of renown.
But why use so many of our precious words to sound
Her loveliness?—When 'tis enough to relate
She was voted the most beautiful girl of her state.
The old adage says, "Beauty is only skin-deep"
But we can disprove it if we only repeat
Just a few of the merits from all the rest
That so endeared her to the girls that knew her best
She was the staunchest of friends and a sister true,
And there was nothing for Theta that she wouldn't do
But why, dear reader—do we use the past tense,
And keep you so long in this awful suspense?
The past tense we use and a "Miss" to adorn her
Until the ceremony in 'The Little Church Around the Corner.'
Ethel Maude Smith, her grace and her charm—Her dowry
Was married—and became Mrs Tom Lowry.
With a thrill of pleasure and a glow of pride
Alpha Omicron introduces this recent bride,
Who is the best, in spite of her married state
To be the new President of District Eight.

This is a feeble attempt at poetry and rhyme
And we have discovered the trouble, but not in time,
Not a single muse did we invoke
So they are jealous of the Goddess of whom we spoke.

Ruth Mansfield

ESTELLE RIDDLE DODGE

Chairman Service board

It was the third day of Grand convention of 1915, when three wearers of the Kite met as a committee to nominate a District president. The discussion was very serious and every name mentioned was considered carefully. Someone suggested Estelle Riddle Dodge. They all knew the dark-haired Theta who took notes so earnestly during each session of convention, and who could be seen at all other times about the hotel lobby, always busy and always jealous for the very best for *The Kite* she edited. They found that she had completed her university training under the watchfulness of Kappa chapter; that she was very clever with newspaper work; that she had made this her pet hobby during her four years at Kansas university, and

afterward elsewhere in Kansas and in New York City, during the time she did post-graduate work at Columbia university. They found, too, that several years after her graduation she had become Mrs Clyde Coburn Dodge and had come to the Pacific coast to continue her newspaper work. All this, with her genuine loyalty and Theta love and understanding, made her just the one they were looking for. She was chosen District president, and District IX as a whole "found" Estelle Riddle Dodge.

Into the heart of every Theta who has worked with Mrs Dodge during these last three years she has served the District, has grown a real love for her leadership. We appreciate her great patience in dealing with our problems; her splendid tact in presenting our faults to us and suggesting corrections. We love her too for her candor, and never wearying helpfulness, and above all her genuine sincerity. As she has studied to administer the affairs of the District for the highest good to all, she has helped us to know more nearly the meaning of true fraternity.

The news that Mrs Dodge is now to take up a still broader field of Theta service, is happy news indeed to all of us. As chairman of Theta's Service board, her patience and enthusiasm, will bring none but the best results, and we rejoice to know that her influence may be so far reaching. She is a Theta we truly honor.

VERNE GADDIS JINNETT

President District IX

Verne Gaddis Jinnett (Mrs E. R.) the new president of District IX, is one of those small but energetic persons whose girlish presence is that of a happy young college student, but whose live eyes and earnest force of personality bespeak the womanly depth and judgment which make her a real and responsible power in anything she undertakes.

She is a western girl, a genuine Theta product of the district whose destinies now come to her direction, for she was born in Spokane and educated at Pullman, where she was graduated with high honors from Washington State college in 1910. There she was a member of the petitioning group which was chartered as Alpha Sigma chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, and she was initiated into Theta when the chapter was installed. She did post-graduate work at the college the two years following her graduation, and was employed in the college library. In the fall of 1912 she was elected assistant registrar of the college, which post she most successfully filled until 1917. In fact it was said she was for some years the really responsible head in the registrar's office though not bearing the superior title. For two years she was subscription manager and assistant editor of the college *Alumni Quarterly*.

In September 1917 Miss Gaddis became Mrs Everett Ray Jinnett, and she and her husband made their home at Reardan, Washington, where he is superintendent of the public schools.

As a Theta Mrs Jinnett has always been a forceful member. For four years she served Alpha Sigma chapter as its very efficient advisor. She was one of the moving influences in the organization of the Pullman alumnae chapter, which has been a strong supporter of the college chapter and has so successfully assisted the college chapter to organize its building association. In 1915 she attended Theta national convention at Gearhart as a delegate from the alumnae chapter.

In Mrs Jinnett's succession to the presidency of the Northwest chapters, the district feels it has chosen one of its own daughters as its representative. She understands western conditions and the western college girl, and she holds the admiration and love of all Thetas who know her.

E. R. D.

MARGARET ARCHDEACON

War work secretary

Almost forty years ago when a charming lovable girl, Maggie Webb, was initiated into Alpha chapter no one thought that some day the daughter of Maggie Webb, who is now Mrs Frank Archdeacon, would be the war work chairman of Kappa Alpha Theta, but such is the case.

To us who have reaped the joys and benefits of the average four year life of an active Theta the idea of being born a Theta is almost stupendous. When I say that Mary Margaret Archdeacon, Alpha Omicron, is the true embodiment of Theta's ideals it can easily be understood, for was she not born a Theta? From the very cradle the tiny life was guided by a loving Theta Mother until now as a young woman we find in our new war work chairman a beautiful character, a brilliant and efficient mind, and a most charming personality.

Margaret was born in Buffalo, New York—coming to Oklahoma city when about eleven years old—so I can say little of her early life, but by her dignity, charm and poise today we know she is a true daughter of the East, and by her spirit, enthusiasm, and delightfulness we recognize her as an adopted daughter of the west. When just sixteen she entered the University of Oklahoma and through successful rushing and the influence of an enthusiastic Theta Mother the "prodigy" was annexed to Alpha Omicron chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

During her four years at college her friends were innumerable, her political success most remarkable, and her grades—well they were simply *great* and more than once did her straight "A's" tide over the low marks of some poor misguided student and aid us in securing the Panhellenic scholarship cup.

As President of the University Young Women's Christian association, her efficiency and firm religious character were responsible for

a most successful year. As a politician her career was unparalleled and as a financier—she was a wonder. As treasurer of the chapter she was a true martyr. Only by her constant remonstrances against our extravagances and her unceasing efforts toward economy were we saved from financial ruin. And today as a teacher of Spanish in the high school of Jerome, Arizona, I feel safe in saying she has been made chairman of all war fund budgets, Red Cross drives, etc. of that small town.

If you Thetas only knew of the time she has devoted to and the sleepless nights caused her by Alpha Omicron's financial responsibilities you would be exceedingly happy indeed over her new appointment, not only for the efficient manner in which she will conduct the work but also because the honor now bestowed upon her is compensation for the endless hours of time given so cheerfully to the irksome duties of a chapter treasurer.

You who attended the 1917 convention had the opportunity of meeting Margaret as she was Alpha Omicron's delegate, but for you who were not granted that privilege there is a great treat coming in meeting her at this coming convention, for to meet her is to love her.

MARJORIE BENTON HAVILAND

President District II

The place was Indianapolis, Indiana, the state which is the happy hunting ground for so many fraternities. The month was August, and the day was the very first. The year was eighteen hundred and ninety-something-or-other. And the person was a small, wriggly girl. She had two eyes, a nose and a mouth, just like any other infant, but you must not imagine that she was just like any other infant. Oh, dear no! They do say that her first play-thing was a kite, and that her favorite pet was a black cat, and that her horoscope was set under the "twin stars."

And now for a few "dry facts." This very interesting baby grew as babies have a way of doing and it is not long before she is graduating with honors from Shortridge high school, Indianapolis. Then Marjorie, or "Marg" as every one called her, went for a year to Western college, Oxford, Ohio. But fate or destiny, or what you will, drew her to Butler college, where she was initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta, October 10, 1908. Her last two years were spent at Northwestern university from which she graduated in 1912 with—
OUT DISGRACE.

Marjorie Benton was married March 25, 1916, to a Northwestern classmate, James Haviland, Phi Kappa Psi. And speaking of real honest-to-goodness love matches, but we weren't, so I shall have to tell you all about that some other time. Mrs Haviland is now the proud mother of a "female child" (the expression is her's not mine), five months old, and a little peach!

So much for Mrs Haviland's educational and matrimonial triumphs (and they are great) ; let us now dig up her fraternity record. I don't know, but I would like to bet that she always paid her dues the minute they were due, made her records on time and with NO mistakes in spelling. I rather imagine that her advice was good, and I am sure that she was a splendid rusher for her wit, social tact and genuine friendship make her a favorite wherever she goes.

Her leadership was recognized, and she was recording secretary of the New York alumnae chapter for four years. Upon coming to Evanston, Illinois, she was made president of their alumnae chapter, and was the official delegate from that body at the 1917 convention.

Her record as District president has been one of supreme efficiency and hard work. We, of this district, know and love her as Marg Haviland, a real Theta sister, and we know and love her as Mrs James Haviland, a real District president !

SENTIMENTAL LINES

From an Old Grad re-visiting his fraternity house

They've got the same old frat-house cook,
She sings the same old tunes,
The same old hash for breakfast,
For lunch the same old prunes.—A T Ω, Palm.

LIFE INSURANCE AS A BUSINESS FOR WOMEN

Never having attempted any remunerative occupation other than writing Life Insurance I cannot write from a comparative standpoint.

I know of no other profession in which a woman (or man either) can start in without having had some training and with no financial backing.

My own experience is this:

Finding myself at 36 at my husband's death, in the position of wage-earner as well as home-maker, with two sons, a home, and a small amount of money to run on temporarily as my stock in trade, there were few occupations to which I might turn as I had married young and had never thought of making money—in fact was but a freshman when I left college.

My husband's brother had just been made General agent of one of the best insurance companies, for the state where I live, and when I broached the subject to him he gladly consented to take me on as an agent and help me all he could.

I knew next to nothing about an insurance policy, having always given my husband's up as Greek after looking over them, so did not try to *learn* the policy thoroughly before trying to sell it.

I first went to friends and acquaintances among business men, told them what I was going to do, and that if they had any intention of

increasing their insurance to give me a chance to figure on it with them. That gave me an opportunity to find out their age, about how much insurance they were carrying and what kind they favored. Later my brother-in-law would help me figure from the rate book the best kind of a policy for each particular case and how to find out the cost of the different kinds. Most General agents will do this for an agent whom he feels is going to *try* to make good, for it is to his advantage to have good agents. GOOD AGENTS in life insurance means a combination of many things, but most of all it means writing the *right kind of insurance* for each individual case and *NEVER* misrepresenting.

Most of the OLD LINE companies maintain a correspondence school for salesmen which is given gratis to their agents and one can take it right along with writing insurance. It is a great help.

All the Old Line companies give their agents who write a certain amount of business within a Club year of twelve months a trip to the Company convention at the Company's expense and of course that is an added incentive outside of the fact of commissions. At the end of my first ten months I had written enough business to qualify for our BIG TREE club, which means that I had written insurance for one hundred thousand dollars.

An insurance agent is paid on the commission basis and, besides the first commission, gets a renewal of a small per cent for a certain number of years on all the business he has written that is kept up.

The first year I made on an average \$150.00 a month and kept up my home, did not drop all my clubs, and often kept an afternoon at home, which of course would have been impossible if working regular hours. In fact I have not been strictly at business on an average of more than half of each day since I started and the average is very apt to be less than that.

There is a big field in the business for women to write both women and men. Many women are now taking policies who have never given it a thought before and as women agents increase it is certain that they will interest women in taking insurance as they can and will explain the *benefits to women* much more thoroughly than men can.

I turned to insurance in my need, as the one thing I could even try and have grown to love the business, for no matter whom you write you *know* you have done them and their families a good turn and that in time they will realize it.

What I have done most any woman can do. The women who are taking up insurance as a life work are all high class. The important thing is to get with an OLD LINE, substantial company, get busy, study your policy until you know it perfectly and then be absolutely square with your prospects and think of their best interests first. Your commissions will take care of themselves.

Sallie Louise Lawson

Διαλεγόμεθα

OUR CHAPTER ROOMS

Until September, 1917, the Theta chapter, with a number of other women's fraternities whose memberships are largely local, had been like a wandering Bedouin tribe, holding its meetings wherever possible and having no central place where girls could drop in at all hours of the day and be at home. Finally the girls determined to have rooms and were very fortunate in obtaining one of a number of small suites over the College Book Store at the main entrance of our campus. At the same time, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, and Delta Delta Delta were busy furnishing their new rooms in the same building.

We have three rooms two of which we use as sitting rooms and the third, in which there is a small gas stove, is our culinary department. The problem of furnishing our rooms we solved by having each member make a contribution from the family stock and very soon we had more furniture and pictures than we could use. Our freshmen gave us a lovely large davenport and two big arm chairs to match. Another present which should be mentioned was a splendid library table from the Phi Gamma Deltas. At Christmas time we had a shower for our rooms. It was a lovely party and as a result our rooms now contain almost everything imaginable from a feather duster to a piano. The latter we are very proud of and nearly always before the end of a spread we have a "sing." Funds for maintaining our rooms are taken out of our monthly dues and occasionally when there is some special expense such as new draperies, et cetera, we levy a small extra assessment. Our vice-president has charge of the care of the rooms, appointing each week a committee of freshmen to keep them clean.

The rooms, while they are not without fault, have filled a great need in our fraternity life, and we would not think of going back to the old Arab way of living. Not only do we enjoy them ourselves but also it is a pleasure to share them occasionally with other organizations on the campus, such as the Browning dramatic society, which recently had a spread in them. In this way, we can become a more important part of college activities.

Ryllis C. Alexander, Alpha Gamma

Gamma, as many other chapters which have no house, has found it rather hard to keep up fraternity spirit and activities this year, because of the many outside calls which have come to the girls. But in spite

of the interruptions, we have developed several get-together schemes which might prove helpful.

The nicest, most intimate times which we have together, I think, have been on meeting days. Most of us are through classes at 12:30 and we congregate in a group and go to a nearby bakery where we buy everything from sandwiches to jelly-rolls. Then we take our purchases to the drugstore next door, which is reserved on Tuesday for the different groups of fraternity girls, and over a sandwich and a chocolate soda we hear and give all the news of the past week. When we have finished we descend upon the home of some poor unfortunate "Irvingtonite" to wash up a bit before meeting. It is a splendid way to get together and we all look forward to our lunches together.

Another thing which we have tried and found very successful is giving a monthly party. Each girl brings ten cents to pay for the "eats" and we spend the evening in various ways, sometimes dancing, talking, singing, and once in a while giving a "Kids' Party."

In the fall we gave several "Football Spreads." The girls would bring their money and a committee would prepare the "eats," or the girls would bring sandwiches and the committee would serve hot chocolate. This not only gave us an opportunity to get together but made it possible for us to turn out in full force to many of the games.

Kathryn Turney

HEADQUARTERS

Since we have never had chapter houses at Goucher, Alpha Delta always rents rooms in the city very near the dormitories, if possible. Last year Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta shared a suite of rooms, and a basement kitchen which served for practical purposes in giving teas, dinners or parties. Our joint teas and informal gatherings with the Delta Gammas were enjoyed by every one. Of course, we chose different nights for our meetings and social functions, so that at this time each fraternity felt perfectly free to use all the rooms. This year we are occupying three third-floor rooms which we find very satisfactory. Not only are these rooms used for meetings and social functions but since they are very near Goucher hall, many of the city and hall girls study, have lunch and spend much of their spare time here. Since Thetas are scattered throughout the different dormitories as well as the city, this serves as a gathering place and at times seems almost like a fraternity house. If we can help any chapter to meet this question of fraternity headquarters, I would be glad to write in detail, of Alpha Delta's experiences along this line—

Catharine O. Simpson

WAR COURSES

We had hoped to present a comprehensive review of the more immediate changes in college curriculums brought about by the war. Cooperation though has been so limited as to bring only partial returns. However, we present here the data at hand which illustrates the community of university thought channels that puts similar courses in most colleges and concerns itself more with theory than practice. However, Michigan and Washington offer unique courses to meet specific and new needs.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

The school of occupational therapy is a new course, its purpose to train students to go into hospitals and sanitariums, there to teach arts and crafts now used as curative measures for those suffering from mental and nervous diseases, for the blind, and for those who have lost a limb.

WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

A Red Cross French class, designed chiefly to acquaint girls with a speaking knowledge of French sufficient to aid them in Red Cross Canteen and Reconstruction work.

A war aims course.

A course in Reconstruction problems.

A course in "Contemporary History."

A pre-nursing course.

NEWCOMB COLLEGE

Courses in secretarial subjects—stenography, typing, cataloguing, statistics.

Courses in drafting.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

A course on the background of the war.

The Institutional management courses were modified to train canteen workers. Other courses in the Home economics department trained food conservation leaders, and experimental cookery with substitute foods.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

War aims and war consequences course.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Courses in war aims were given first semester, changing second semester to courses in International relations and in Governments and political parties of Europe.

Courses in navigation and ballistics, transformed in second term to a course in advanced commercial arithmetic.

A course in economic reconstruction.

A course in Food conservation.

COLORADO STATE COLLEGE

Courses in First aid, nursing, dietetics, telegraphy, tractor operation, gardening, war aims, and French conversation have been emphasized. The college made a special effort to interest the women students in possible fields of usefulness—wherein the demand for workers exceeded the supply.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

A course in the history of the present war.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Courses in War issues, European history and reconstruction, international relations, and social problems of the war.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

A course in war issues.

A course in the causes of the war.

A course in America's part in the war.

WASHBURN COLLEGE

A course in European governments.

A course on the problems of war and reconstruction.

A course in international relations.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

A course on the history of the war.

A course on the peace conference, as a supplement to regular course on Modern European history.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

A course in ordnance inspection offered by the chemical engineering department. The instruction covered two lines—the examination of metals under the microscope and the physical testing of metals. Under the first head courses must be taken on the metallurgy of iron, steel, and the non-ferrous metals; on the preparation and examination of specimens (metallography) and in the measurement and control of high temperatures. On the other side of the work were courses in mechanics and the physical testing laboratory.

For admission to this course, college chemistry was required; physical chemistry would be a great help; and college physics and trigonometry must precede the work in mechanics. The work given is very intensive and the principal requirement was thinking along chemical and mechanical lines.

"A CHAPTERLET OR TWO"

FOR GASLESS SUNDAY

Mr and Mrs L. B. Whitfield of Montgomery, Alabama, recently made a visit to the University and while here presented us with a walk from our house to the street.—Alabama Correspondence, *Palm of A T Ω*.

IS THIS A YARN?

Our knitted soldiers' quilt is growing.—Iowa State Correspondence, *Adelphean of A Δ II*.

ANY NEW MEMBERS?

"Babe" Storke stopped at the house on his way to Maryland.—Kansas Correspondence, *The Phi Gamma Delta*.

MODESTY

The best dance of the season was given by us March 22nd.—Tennessee Correspondence, *Palm of A T Ω*.

WOMEN ARE SUPERFLUOUS IN THE AIR

"Bob" Smith and Clarence Ireland have stepped off and gotten married. They are both in the Aviation Corps.—Kansas Correspondence, *The Phi Gamma Delta*.

IN SPITE OF THE GLEE CLUB

He is an ex-Glee Club manager and sings still.—North Dakota Correspondence, *Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

REGULATING THE WEATHER

The rushing rules agreed upon by the interfraternity conference provided for an open summer and fall.—Middlebury Correspondence, *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

PROPER USE TO MAKE OF IT

The bathroom has undergone some changes and is now in first-class condition. It is fit for any alumnus to use as a bathroom.—Dickinson Correspondence, *Phi Delta Theta Scroll*.

ALL SETTLED BUT A MINOR DETAIL

The movement for a new house, which was started last semester, is still being carried on through the summer. The location, style, and all other details have been discussed and decided upon. All that remains to be secured is the house.—Stanford Correspondence, *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

GREEN, GROWING THINGS NEED HEAT AND MOISTURE

Through a series of heatless days and bursted water pipes, the Freshmen have suffered very much.—Correspondence in *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

A STRANGE FACT

The May Pageant came in May.—Coe Correspondence in *Eleusis of X Ω*.—*Banta's Greek Exchange*.

July 3-7—be in St. Louis.

BUBBLES

College is a coffee mill,
Students all are grinds;
Grains of wisdom percolate
Into half boiled minds.

Life is not a melting pot,
Just a coffee kettle;
Youth may bubble o'er with glee;
Parents settle.—*Exchange—Adelphean of A Δ II*.

BE A GOOD FORGETTER

In this world of ours there are two kinds of people—those who forget and those who do not. Being human, our words and actions are not always what we desire, but when we have made a mistake it's up to the other fellow to forget about it. Remembering makes him unhappy, revengeful, or gleeful, according to his disposition. But since the past is irrevocable, why not forget the unpleasant events? If we are to get the most out of life for ourselves we must give much to others. Begin by being a good "forgetter" of others' shortcomings. Long ago someone said, "Forgetting the things behind, I press forward." We have not time in this life to remember the things that keep us back. Be a good forgetter.—*Angelos of K Δ.—Banta's Greek Exchange.*

We teachers, I think, have failed in that we have not made it clear to students just how the work in the colleges of arts does in fact today assist in gaining a knowledge and power quite as essential to leadership now as ever. We also not infrequently deceive ourselves in claiming that the college of arts differs wholly from the professional school. There are comparatively few students in the third and fourth years of the Arts Course who are not in effect vocational students. Our historic and conventional standards blind our eyes. The college is no worse for the fact, whether we recognize it or not. We all feel that the elective system has improved greatly the standards of teaching and study in the upper years of the course, and the elective system in the college of arts is largely a system to permit professional study.

GEORGE P. BRISTOL, in *A. C. A. Journal*.

HAY FEVER

Take me somewheres East of Suez,
Where the best is like the worst,
Where there ain't no Influenza,
'N' I kin sneeze 's if I durst!—*K Δ, Angelos.*

Kappa Alpha Theta invites you to her Silver Anniversary.

HELP YOUR SCHOOL TO TEACH PRACTICAL THRIFT

Do you want to help the local teachers of school children in a very practical way that will not cost you a cent or any time?

If so, establish individually or as a neighborhood activity, a fund with which the principal or teacher can obtain Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps to sell to the children.

This fund, of course, is not given but merely loaned to relieve the teacher from drawing on her own cash to get the stamps to take to the school. Some teachers find the advancing of such cash will be impossible or a serious inconvenience.

As fast as the stamps are sold, the money is restored to the fund to buy more stamps to sell.

If the stamp selling activity stops, the money is returned to the parents, to the school or neighborhood association or group of graduates who have advanced it as working capital.

CHAPTER NEWS

BOSTON ALUMNÆ

Boston alumnæ chapter started the year with but two officers, of whom the vice-president, after acting as chairman of one meeting, followed what is apparently becoming a rule of fate with our presidents by leaving the city for several months. We now have a full list of officers. The officers have as an experiment drawn up a list of local duties of all officers, assigned the duties, and made a copy for each officer of the list of duties for all. We believe this is going to help to prevent misunderstandings and too heavy burdens on some officers.

Our program for the year includes six meetings, of which we have held three. At the first came the Loyalty-Day service; at the second we continued war sewing and getting acquainted; the third took the form of the Founders'-day Luncheon on January 25. Here we had represented twenty chapters, from Vermont to Stanford, Goucher to Oregon.

It has been a great pleasure to welcome many new Thetas this year. We hope that many more will be coming to Boston, and that they will promptly get in touch with our secretary.

Jessie C. Eastham

BURLINGTON ALUMNÆ

Thetas in Burlington have had many good times together during the last year. The regular meetings have been gay, chatty, and restful enough to give us new life for the sterner duties that all are sharing.

During Commencement week, which came early in May, we entertained the active chapter and visiting alumnæ at the home of Mrs. Votey, to take the place of the annual June spread.

The last meeting of the season was a picnic at Oak Ledge, near the lake shore. The afternoon was spent exploring the grounds and the big, old house. It was at this meeting that we held our observance of Loyalty-Day, which really meant much to us all.

We were not able to hold any meetings last fall on account of—but everyone is weary of the phrase, hence we forbear repeating it. The meetings began again in January, more enthusiastically than ever, and we are anticipating a good year.

We appreciate greatly being in such close touch with the college chapter. Their new home, which we are proud to have helped furnish in a slight degree, is so very attractive that there is an added inducement to drop in and enjoy their good times with them. The new home

was the scene of the celebration on Founders'-day. The alumnae were the hostesses, and there was feasting, music, and fun, quite worthy of the event that was being celebrated.

31 January 1919

Pearl M. Grandy

COLUMBUS ALUMNÆ

Our Founders'-day banquet took place at the home of Marguerite Kaufman. Our guest of honor was John W. Pontius (husband of Hazel Dolin), who has recently returned from overseas where he has served in England, France, and Italy as a Young Men's Christian association secretary. He gave us a very splendid address, telling us in vivid terms of his experiences among our boys and of his impressions of our three great Allies. Almost all of the college and alumnae chapters were present and our celebration was pronounced a great success.

As a chapter this winter we pledged \$800 for a dispensary in France for the American committee for devastated France; \$500 of it has already been sent, and with what we have on hand we only have \$150 to raise. That was done in one evening. Then we are sewing. Our meetings this winter have been splendid and most of the credit is due our able president, Helen Miles.

Some of the girls are doing especially interesting work this year. Minnie Hughes is in France with the American fund for French wounded. She drives the nurse around her district and acts as official interpreter between the nurse and the people. Monabelle Lentz is a reconstruction aid at the Walter Reed hospital in Washington. Frances Nichol is a dietitian at Camp Pike, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs Hazel Snyder is in Batavia, Ohio, directing the Clermont county normal school.

Mrs Alice Boesal will move to New Bremen, Ohio, in the near future.

Anne Damron

DETROIT ALUMNÆ

I would rather be asked to write a Britannica than to enumerate the activities of a healthy, wide-awake group of college-bred women during these past two years so fraught with fear and pain, with courageous endeavor and effort sustained at any cost, and finally with joy of reunion, with victory, and the glorious vision of duty and opportunity to serve that came with the dawn of the New Day. Thetas did not fail. Wherever the Red Cross insignia called for willing hands Thetas were found and even in the dangerous overseas duties Detroit alumnae were represented by Miss Annie Williams, Eta, who went over on canteen service. We had Mrs Mary Moore Clarke, Phi, a guest just before leaving for work in France on Miss Julia Lathrop's Bureau. But those of us who could not go over tried to support loyally everything that led to Victory and to lasting peace. Miss

Grace Koons, Eta 1911, gave her life nursing in the Receiving hospital during the epidemic in the fall. Other members volunteered service as nurses, though they were teachers.

About twenty Thetas served as registrars in the spring of 1918 and as many helped in the drives for Mr Hoover and the Thrift kitchens and Food shows which made possible such generous care of our Allies. Nor did a Liberty Loan go by that did not include in its list of canvassers and organizers several of the chapter.

Woman's Suffrage was, unfortunately (as those who had the issue the most at heart say) a referendum from our State legislature to the people of Michigan and rather than let it fail at such a critical time we added our efforts to the cause, endorsing it as a body and individually supporting it. The word was carried by speakers through all the Red Cross rooms, through factories, stores, and clubs and the ubiquitous house canvasser again took up her pack and camped on her neighbor's doorstep striving to bring women to the vision of their rightful part in the great democracy for which our husbands and brothers were fighting "over there!"

Elizabeth Williams Weber, Eta '08, Mabel Lowrie, Eta, and Ruby Severence Gripman, Eta '13, have worked as captains in the organized survey of the University of Michigan women to promote patriotic work. Mrs Gripman also, with Mrs Bernardine Simonds, Lambda '15, worked on the Women's war work section of the National league for women's service, surveying factories having government contracts and filing reports with the Federal department in Washington which have since proved of great value.

We included in our programs for fraternity meetings a War supper, illustrating a meatless, wheatless, and sugarless repast, followed by War charades which were not at all talentless from the histrionic standpoint! We made pajamas at a series of afternoon meetings followed by Pot-luck suppers. We made scrapbooks for the soldiers and those of us who are librarians did not let us waste our bits of wool from which busy little fingers of the Neighborhood club children made afghans for the soldiers.

And now the war is over. And our hearts are glad in welcoming back our boys, for we have been most fortunate in that they are all coming back. Let us congratulate our war brides! Gretchen Oeschger Lueros, Alpha Pi, a bride of two days, said goodbye to her husband, who went overseas with a balloon division, but any ship now may bring him back to her and may they have a honeymoon as long as life to make up for their brave sacrifice! Corinne Aldrich, Eta, was married to George Montillon, a chemical engineer for ammonia gas, and she accompanied him to Fort Sheffield where he was stationed, but they expect their discharge at once and will return to Detroit to live. We boasted many brothers in the service but thank God they are safe so far as we know.

Where do we go from here! Have you awakened, Thetas, to the grave seriousness of that lilting phrase made famous by the boys who went over the top at Chateau Thierry and Belleau Wood? All about us is the awakening murmur of the social consciousness, quickened and clarified by the terrible ordeal of the war and prodded into action by the abysm of danger, of despair which yawns ready to overwhelm civilization if we do not now unite under the banner of democracy. Victor Hugo said that no armies in all their might are so strong as the might of an idea whose hour has struck. The hour of the people has arrived and never again will they be willing to trust their destinies out of their own hands. All over the world they are groping for a mould in which to cast their idea that it may best serve their needs. We believe that in this representative democracy conceived by that far-seeing band of men who wrote our constitution that we are on the road to the fulfillment of this idea. We believe that we can obtain by evolution and the slow task of building stone on stone what never can be accomplished by a Red War which is a breeder of hate and violence. This then is the Clarion call of the future; if you believe in America and America's ideals, if you believe that we are dedicated "to the proposition that all men are created equal," then stand forth and take your part in the effort to bring a real brotherhood of man here and now that "these dead shall not have died in vain." How? There are a thousand avenues of approach but to you college women eager hands are lifted all over this land and eager voices say, "Show us the way! You have received; now give to us, for 'Noblesse Oblige!'" To those of you who have come into your new power of citizenship there is a direct channel by which you can work for the unity and cohesion of the nation, for the uplifting of the down trodden, for the fellowship that comes only with mutual help and understanding. But even without direct voting power (which God grant may not long be withheld from you all) women have always been the spiritual strength of the nation and have by their wonderful cooperation in the Great War proved themselves an integral part of the body politic. America needs you now more than ever! This army will never demobilize. Thetas, Enlist Now!

Mrs R. T. Romine, Kappa, who was the guest of Mrs F. G. Lafer for the year, invited Detroit alumnae chapter and their husbands to her Summer home near Detroit for a picnic supper last August. The beauty of the place and the warm hospitality which we experienced won our fervent appreciation and sealed the bonds of friendship among us all.

The annual Founders'-day luncheon was held February 1 at the Cadillac hotel. Eta active was our guest and it always means infusion of new energy to us when the gay spirit of Ann Arbor fuses with the more strenuous pursuits of "mature life." Miss Ellen Sargent, Eta

active, sang with such art and sweetness that we kept her at the piano as long as we could.

Miss Margaret Dresser, Eta, was married to Mr Robert Leete last spring and they are living at 181 Edison av., Detroit.

Mr and Mrs Wm. A. Harte (Leona Reardon), Eta, have moved to New York City. Their business address is c/o Frank Seaman, 470 4th av.

Miss Olivia Williams, Eta, was married in May, 1918, to Mr Charles Davis, of the Camp Construction service of the United States army.

Mrs Harriet Dalrymple Day, Pi, has gone South for the winter where she is improving some grape fruit grove property.

Sorrow has come twice to our beloved Williams family. Thomas Weber died suddenly, leaving Elizabeth a bride of less than a year; and in December Julia Williams Brett who was visiting her sister here lost her seven year old daughter, Lucy, from influenza. Our deep sympathy goes out to them. The family has moved to Elizabeth's at 81 Elliott st. Mr and Mrs Davis are with them also, and Mrs Brett has returned to Cleveland.

We have found a friend and staunch Theta in Mrs Edith Fulton Page, Epsilon.

Dorothy Barber is with us this year.

Agusta Bookmeyr, Eta, has twice been our hostess this year for a delightful supper, and last for a "Spook" party on Hallowe'en. Her brother, Ralph, has received very high honors on the Medical staff and Agusta herself has been quoted by Berry Bros. by whom she is employed, as the "best saleswoman" in the concern. She has had full charge of important war orders.

Detroit alumnae welcomes all Theta who come within our reach even though it be but for a day.

Ruth Forbes Sherry

EVANSTON ALUMNÆ

The first meeting of the year was postponed until January 16, because of the quarantine for influenza. Conditions have much improved and we hope to hold our regular monthly meetings during the remainder of the year.

Our first meeting was a most enjoyable afternoon at the home of Mrs William S. Mason. Part of the time was given to business. An informal discussion followed as to what the alumnae chapter should give to the Woman's building fund of Northwestern.

The interest taken by the alumnae in the college chapter at Northwestern is growing all the time. We are proud to state that all Tau pledges were initiated this quarter.

Many Evanston alumnae attended our Founders'-day luncheon at the Union League club, Chicago, on Saturday, January 25. Twenty-three dollars and thirty-five cents was collected for our Illinois Stu-

dents' fund. This makes the total about eighty-five dollars. We desire to increase this amount to one hundred dollars before it is loaned. Either Northwestern or Illinois Thetas may take advantage of this fund.

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Helen Carney Fathschild

Engagements: '18 Lucille Moore to Mr Laurie Mitten; '18 Margaret Hingeley to Mr Edgar Blake.

Marriages: '17 Helen L. Carney to Ensign Irvin Fathschild; '14-ex Bertha Smith to Cy McCullough.

Births: '17 Born to Mr and Mrs George S. Smith (Helen Forbes) a son on Nov. 2, 1918; '12 Born to Mr and Mrs James Haviland (Marjorie Benton) a daughter.

'17 Mr and Mrs Ralph Prouty (Frances Keith) are now living in Chicago.

'15 Mr and Mrs James Whelan (Helen Borton) are now living at 803 Simpson st. Evanston, Ill.

'17 Mr and Mrs George Smith (Helen Forbes) are keeping house in Evanston.

'17 Mr and Mrs Herbert Bartling (Grace Goodman) are making their home in Evanston.

Miss Eva R. Hall visited in Evanston Jan. 25, attending initiation and banquet at the Evanston hotel.

'12 Ruth Ward Boswell and Fredrika Bergen Moore visited in Evanston the week-end of Jan. 25, attending initiation and banquet.

Frances Pearl Greenough is Y. W. C. A. student secretary at University of Minnesota.

'15 Mary Herrick is Y. W. C. A. student secretary at Ohio State university.

'17 Edna Johnson Guerton sails the last of this month on the *Adriatic* for Paris, where Mr Guerton will be in business for two years.

'19 Mr and Mrs Dorrance (Rafaela Tennent) sail for Shanghai the later part of Feb.

'15 Clara Tatley is spending the winter in California.

'16 "Geno" Forbes is in "B. L. T." office as exchange editor of the *Chicago Daily Tribune*.

'15 Frances Sweet is working in the Foreign trade Dept. of the First National bank of Chicago.

'15 Dorothy Martin Nichols (Mrs D) is staying with her parents in Kansas City until Mr Nichols returns from France.

'15 Lenore Everson is doing war work in Washington, D. C.

'15 Freda Sidell is teaching in Danville, Ill.

'15 Sallie Wheelock and '17 Rene Murray are teaching in Kenilworth school.

'18 Margaret Hingeley is assistant in Northwestern university library.

NEW YORK ALUMNÆ

New York alumnae chapter is reviving after the "flu" and our February meeting was almost normal. Florence Durstine Hamilton (Mrs B. Wallace) Alpha Gamma, entertained us in her home, 250 West 75th st. It was a charming tea party in honor of Theta's birthday. We have had almost no purely social meetings since the war began, so this one was a real treat. Two friends of Mrs Hamilton's entertained us most graciously with music.

We were happy to have with us six girls from Alpha Kappa, our nearest college chapter.

Georgiana Gilbert Hess, Phi, is studying Interior decorating at Columbia university.

Pearl Goodrich Porter (Mrs Earl), Alpha Omicron, is living in Upper Montclair, N. J. 305 Park st. Mr Porter is with the Du Pont Powder Co. as consulting chemist.

Gertrude Williams, Alpha Eta, is taking work at Barnard college.

Ruth Ritter O'Daniel (Mrs E. V.) Alpha, is recovering from pneumonia.

Pearl Jones Greene (Mrs Wade) Pi, has a daughter Gladys. Though she was born March 19, 1918, this is her first introduction to Theta.

Anastasia Harding Coady, Chi, had to be coaxed by a classmate to tell of her interesting work. Since last June she has been Distribution secretary of the publicity committee of the war work council of the Y. W. C. A. Before taking up this war work Miss Coady was secretary to Mr Benjamin Brodski, of The Toyo Film Kaisha. Kaisha means company. The company toured Japan in a special train of nine cars, taking pictures in their native setting and went into some seldom travelled parts of the country. The courtesy of a special train is granted infrequently in Japan and then only by the Imperial government. We hope to hear more of Miss Coady's work at some future meeting.

Gertrude M. Allen, Alpha Epsilon, is another interesting girl who has to be drawn out to talk of herself. She is now secretary to Dr George Vincent, President of Rockefeller foundation. She has had experience, too, as secretary to Mr Steffanson, the Arctic explorer. Don't you think she is well qualified to be on the Service board as secretarial adviser.

Dorothy White Sanford (Mrs H. B.) Psi, has come from California with her two little sons to be with Mr Sanford, who is an Ensign in Naval Aviation service. They are living at 176 Adirondack blvd. Neponsit, L. I.

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Sara Belle Goe

NORMAN-OKLAHOMA CITY ALUMNÆ

Fany Haynes Capshaw (Mrs Fred) has a new address, 645 E. 12th st. Oklahoma City.

Alta Loomis Carder (Mrs Fred) has charge of the normal training course in the Cordell, Okla., high school.

Nancy Longnecker's address is 1209 Tennessee st. Lawrence, Kan.

Yetta Alden is teaching in Guthrie, Okla.

Marie Hunter MacMurray (Mrs Jack) is living in Cisco, Tex.

Robert John, the son of Merl Millar Walling (Mrs Vernon) will be one year old March 29. On the same day William John, the son of Maud Millar Hazeltine (Mrs Roy S.) will be two years old. This is quite a coincidence, since the mothers are twins. Merl's address is Wichita, Kan. Route 1. Maud's address is 3405 Coleman Rd. Kansas City, Mo. Grace Millar Evans (Mrs Edward) who stayed with her sisters while her husband was in Camp Taylor, has since returned with him to their home in Cleveland, Ohio.

Julia Meier Chaney (Mrs C. R.) is supervisor of music in the schools of Clovis, Cal.

Anna P. Higginbotham is teaching in Troy, Mo.

Frances Dorchester Rogers (Mrs J. W.) has two children, Frances and Jim. Her new address is 136 E. King st. Tulsa, Okla.

Margery Paxton Larimore's new address is 1525 W. 16th st. Oklahoma City.

Glenn Martin is at home in Erick, Okla. She expects to go to Chicago in the spring to join Hazel Martin who is studying there.

Ruth MacLaren Onthank (Mrs Carl W.) has a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, who "has arrived at the age of two teeth and many smiles."

Mary Virgin is principal of a ward school in Lawton, Okla.

Mable Thacker Hobson (Mrs Calvin) is teaching in the Norman high school while her husband is in the service.

Eleanor O'Connell substituted for a while in the Russell, Kan. high school.

Marian Brooks Cralle (Mrs Walter) has returned from California and is in Norman since her husband has been released from the Army.

Lorena Cruce, who went to Arizona for her health several years ago, has completely recovered, and is attending the University of Arizona. Address: 631 N. 2d av. Tucson, Ariz.

The address of Olive Eagleton Hunt (Mrs Elton B.) is 114 E. 7th st. Tulsa, Okla.

Harriet Patrick Minton (Mrs H. Lee) spent the fall in Oklahoma City, and is now teaching domestic science at the University of Oklahoma.

Neva Rogers Gahring (Mrs Ross) was in Norman and Oklahoma City for the initiation and Founders'-day celebration. She is living in Mount Vernon, Mo. since her husband has been released from the Army.

Pauline Carr, who was teaching in Augusta, Kan. resigned her position because of ill health and will come to Oklahoma City to visit soon.

Maurine Butler Garrett (Mrs Isaiah) has a new son. Address: 448 Jordan st. Shreveport, La.

Margaret Coleman's address is Kent, Wash. Route 1.

Frances Buchanan is teaching violin in the Oklahoma college for women, Chickasha. Claudia Fay White and Grace Threadgill are also teaching in Chickasha.

Georgia Shutt is in the Embarkation service of the War department, office of the chief of staff. Her address is 3156 18th st. N.W. Washington, D. C.

Corinne Breeding is doing Y. W. C. A. work in Dallas, Tex. Address: 4810 Gaston av.

Anne Hull is living in Clovis, N. M. She is visiting this winter in Los Angeles and San Diego, Cal.

Eleanor Morgan is teaching English in the University of Oklahoma.

Pauline Stafford is studying in New York City.

Dorothy Nash is working in the Tulsa postoffice.

Alpha Omicron sympathizes with Olive Eagleton Hunt and Elizabeth Eagleton Courtright in the loss of their sister, Eloise Eagleton, Kappa Kappa Gamma. At the time of her death she was taking a nurses' training course in a military hospital.

Daisy White Patrick (Mrs A. E.) Psi, of Chandler, Inez Kinney Gaylord (Mrs E. K.) Epsilon, Angeline Snapp Chambers (Mrs Myron) Alpha, Frances Deupree, Alpha Phi, of Oklahoma City, assisted in the Alpha Omicron initiation in Oklahoma City January 27. Besides the Norman and Oklahoma City alumnae the following were here for the initiation and Founders'-day banquet: Neva Rogers Gahring (Mrs Ross), Marian Brooks Cralle (Mrs Walter), Elizabeth Eagleton Courtright (Mrs Raymond) Leona Galbreath, Frances Broach, Frances Buchanan, Claudia Faye White, Grace Threadgill, Mary Virgin.

Mr and Mrs Geo. Collins (Ida Agnes Pyle) announce the birth of twin daughters on Christmas day. Their names are Mary Ann and Martha Jane. Address: Waco, Tex.

Peach Rogers has announced her engagement to Lieut Carl L. Brown, 2 N. She is now doing government work in Washington, D. C. Address: Savoy Apts. 31, 2604 14 st. N.W.

A poem by Mary Carmack McDougal appeared in the Feb. *Ladies' Home Journal*.

PROVIDENCE ALUMNÆ

'98 Married, Dec. 25, 1918, Elizabeth C. Grant to Mr James S. Grant of Providence. At home after Feb. 1, at 3186 Pawtucket av. East Providence.

'11 Born, Jan. 16, at Davenport, Iowa, a son William Burroughs Kent to Mr and Mrs Edward Raylor Kent (Ruth C. Burroughs).

'11 The engagement has been announced of Josephine T. Sackett to Mr Karl William Johansson of Pittsburgh, Pa.

PULLMAN ALUMNÆ

Pullman alumnæ has had only two meetings this year due to the "flu" ban, but now that it has been removed we hope to enjoy life again. Our meetings are largely social in nature. Business consists of routine matters and helping Alpha Sigma in every way we can. While waiting for prices of building materials to drop, one of our members looks after the financial end of the Building association, collecting money due on notes. We hope Alpha Sigma will soon be able to build their new home, the plans of which are ready.

Melcena LaFollette, Juanita Strong Brooks and Lila Bryan Kulzer are new members of Pullman alumnæ this year.

Melcena LaFollette recently connected with the Finch school for Mass.

Augusta Roziskey left Washington State college Jan. 31 to accept a position in the Columbia school of expression, Chicago.

Melcena LaFollette recently connected with the Finch school for girls in New York City, has returned to her Alma Mater to take Miss Roziskey's place as teacher of expression.

Marion Gray Overman left Pullman in Jan. to make her home in Spokane.

Laila Egge is assistant manager of the Students' book store, Washington State college.

Anna Waller is supervisor of home economics and art in the Pullman public schools.

Grace Coulter Scott has resigned from the Extension service of Washington State college and will make her home on a sheep ranch in central Wash.

Lila Bryan Kulzer spent three months at Camp Zachary Taylor, where her husband received a commission. She is now in Pullman while her husband is completing his work for a degree.

Charlotte Malotte Kruegel (Beta) is president of the Pullman branch of the Association of collegiate alumnæ.

Florence Waller received a degree at the New York State library school and is now reference librarian in technology, in the Seattle public library.

Maud Putnam is head of the Georgetown branch of the Seattle public library.

Jean King is working in the Dexter-Horton bank, Seattle.

Juanita Strong Brooks has been joined by her husband, Ensign Brooks.

Born, a son, to Mr and Mrs J. H. McCroskey (Marion Flood).

Margaret Brislawn is head of the home service department of the Red Cross at Sprague.

Ella Alexander and Gladys Persels are teaching home economics in the Yakima schools.

Clementine Prior is a bacteriologist in the government service in Washington, D. C.

Grace Baker is teaching home economics in North central high school, Spokane.

Glenna Troy is teaching at Newport, Wash.

Iras Troy is teaching home economics at Olympia, Wash.

SEATTLE ALUMNÆ

Seattle alumnae chapter is feeling unusually active this year in spite of numerous repressions. Before a meeting could be called in the fall the influenza ban was placed upon the city, and there was no getting together until November when we met with Marie Brawley and planned the year's work. A second ban settled upon us in December and threw the meeting for that month into early January when we met with Helen Bush. The next regular meeting was given up to join with Alpha Lambda in a Founders'-day celebration at the chapter house. We trust that nothing will interfere with the February meeting though just now "strike" clouds are looming heavy, with "no transportation" threatened.

At the first meeting it was decided to carry on all lines of work begun last year; to continue to support and send boxes to our French orphan, and at every meeting and at home to sew on Red Cross layettes. However it was unanimously agreed to put the main stress of our efforts this year upon assisting Alpha Lambda in paying off part of the mortgage on the two fine lots she bought two years ago. She had hoped to reduce the mortgage substantially long before this but when war came with its multifold demands she generously put her own interests in the background and threw herself whole-heartedly into the broader world's work. Now, however, the mortgage is almost due and we must put our shoulders with hers to meet the occasion.

At the deferred December meeting the regular officers were elected for the ensuing year, and we felt very proud of the efficient leaders who agreed to see us through an unusually strenuous year: Beulah Smith Jones, president; Mary Bellows Johnston, vice-president; Beatrice Mercer, secretary; Betty Belmont McDonald, treasurer; Elizabeth Henry, editor.

In planning for Founders'-day three things were kept in mind: first, to do honor to the day; second, to furnish an opportunity for the alumnae and actives to become better acquainted; and third, to add to our real-estate fund. A short, regular program was given which was enjoyed by all. A food and candy sale was very popular. Then each member present was asked to drop as many pennies in the basket as she was years old. At the conclusion of the afternoon the alumnae served grape juice and little individual birthday cakes, each adorned with a tiny lighted candle. A neat sum was realized for our fund, the two chapters tightened their bonds of friendship, and everyone pronounced the affair a great success.

"Ways of making money" seems to be our most absorbing thought just now. We serve a light luncheon before each regular monthly meeting, thus affording a pleasant social hour, and also adding to our fund a small but not-to-be despised sum. We are planning a musicale for March, and there is talk of a purely social evening for husbands—or other gentlemen—when these Theta connections may become better acquainted—and also drop a few more pennies into our basket. We are also going to raise a special sum by donations from all our members who are not Alpha Lambda alumnae. The latter will be sufficiently approached by the college chapter.

We are delighted to welcome to our midst several new members who have come to us from afar, and we feel they will add leaven to our spirit and our activities. We know Mrs Dodge will be a great help in every way, Mrs Gill from Kansas seems like one of us already, and Mrs Haskell, recently from the Philippines, has charmed us all. Best of all, perhaps, we are to have with us this year several who have lived here for sometime but who for one reason or another have been unable to meet with us heretofore.

Mary Frances, born July 22, to Blanche McLean Klopfenstein.

Ruth Danforth, born Dec. 4, to Josephine Meissner Quigley.

Neal, born Dec. 4, to Mellie Alexander McIntyre.

The Eggert twins, who are now a year old, are flourishing.

Agnes Lovejoy Shannon, and Lorna Lovejoy Standing are both living in Philadelphia at present.

Roxy Bremner is in Pittsburg for the time being.

Helen Taylor Bush

TOPEKA ALUMNÆ

It is next to impossible to write much of a chapter letter of the past year's work as our time and our minds have been so occupied with the pressing needs of war that fraternity matters have had to take a back seat. In the beginning of the year our chapter considered doing some Red Cross work as a unit but after some discussion concluded that we all needed some means of relaxation and that fraternity meetings would be a real service if they offered that relaxation. So we did not have any chapter work or aim. We just met together informally, indulged in a cup of sugarless tea, and tried to be as normally minded as possible. We did have one real reunion—college and alumnae—on Founders'-day when we gave a very simple party and put on our usual original play. This time we had a detective play, the plot centering around a lost green baby, very flat, which turned out to be a baby bond. This we gave to the college chapter, when we found it. It was a very wild play, so wild that for an hour or so at least the war was entirely forgotten.

Then this fall whatever wind the war had left in our sails was completely knocked out by the influenza. We simply haven't been, that's

all. But we're feebly kicking now and if life will just smooth out a little we hope this year's record may be one of progress.

7 February 1919

Louise McNeal

WASHINGTON ALUMNÆ

The first banquet of the Washington alumnae chapter was held Founders'-day at the Hotel Driscoll at 7:30 o'clock.

There were forty-five Thetas seated at three long tables decorated with fraternity colors and pansies.

Miss Newsom, president, presided with Mrs Austin, first vice-president, Miss Anna Payne, second vice-president, Miss Francoise Cheely, treasurer, and Miss Mary W. Pierce, secretary, all present.

After several courses of an excellent dinner, it was suggested every third one move three places to the right. This progressive plan was highly approved, giving the many strangers temporarily in Washington a chance to know one another.

Each person was called on to announce briefly, in rhyme or prose, the reason for her being in the National Capital, the recent war-time conditions having gathered college women from the entire country.

The resignation of Miss Newsom was accepted, as she has been appointed District president. The chapter will continue to have her enthusiastic support. Mrs Swiggett was unanimously elected president.

Miss Payne sang charmingly the *Theta Prayer*.

A note of thanks was given Miss Wright for decorating the menus, also the Social committee—Miss Frazier, Mrs Perrill, and Mrs Emley, to whose efforts was due the success of the occasion.

A large cake with 49 lighted candles was a beautiful reminder of the real meaning of the celebration, January 27, 1870.

Mary W. Pierce, Secretary

NEWS OF EPSILON ALUMNÆ

There has been no Epsilon chapter, since 1913. Since which we have had no Epsilon news in the JOURNAL. But as many Thetas from Wooster read the JOURNAL, and are loyal Thetas, I shall be glad to receive letters, and news from any Epsilon Thetas who may read this, and I shall try to send such news to the JOURNAL.

There are fifteen of us living in Cleveland, and ten are members of the Cleveland alumnae chapter, which has twenty-five members. The Epsilon Thetas living in Cleveland are Mrs J. M. Criley, Frances Kauke McClure (Mrs Walter), Marguerite White Black (Mrs T. M.) '09, Kate Johnson Harris (Mrs J. E.), Marion Fulton Carleton (Mrs R. M.) '15, Katherine Anderson Gee (Mrs C. S.) '11, Mary Elder Michael (Mrs J. M.), Sarah J. Anderson '10, who teaches English at West technical high school. Last year she received her M.A. degree in English at Columbia university. Mary Mateer '13 teaches mathematics at East technical high school. Betty Mateer '16 teaches history at the Empire junior high school; Helen Stafford Craig (Mrs O. N.) '10, teaches English at Shaw high school, Catherine McCurdy '09 also is teaching there, and Lucy and Bertha Warren also teach in Cleveland. Elisa Candor Thorward (Mrs B. F. H.) '11, lives in East Cleveland.

Laura Anderson West (Mrs Johnson) '06 since Sept. has had charge of the Table War Trade Board, in Washington, D. C. which handles the import and export trade. In January she sailed with her husband for Vladovostok, Russia, where he is to have charge of the War Trade Board in Russia, as Import Expert. They will be there a year or longer.

Lera Avison Larson (Mrs Clarence) lives in Kellogg, Idaho, and is our chairman of Committee on Foreign Lands.

Alice March (1915) married Stewart Martin, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, last April. They have been living with Amy March Forman '11 (Mrs Douglas) at Laurel, Miss. where Mr Martin was engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in the cantonment.

Agnes Scott '13 was married to John Weir, A T Ω , and they are now living in Lahore, India.

Ruth McCandliss (1915) was married to Herbert Judson. They live in Hainan, China.

Lucy Notestein (1911) is Instructor of English at the University of Illinois. Her address is 512 Michigan av. Urbana, Ill.

Katherine Seelye 1911 is business manager for Miss Winifred Christy, pianist and concert player. Address 1 West 34th st. New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dunlap (Louise Waddell 1912) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Louise. They live at 127 Farragut Terrace, Philadelphia, Pa.

Clara West Rogers (Mrs George) '09, lives at Woodsdale, Wheeling, W. Va.

Evelyn Lucas '09 was married to Charles Dederer Thompson, Jr. who is Prof at Allahabad college, Allahabad, India.

Grace Knoche '10 is in home mission work in Asheville, N. C. She has been nursing during the influenza epidemic, which has been very bad among the mountain people. Sometimes she rode eighteen miles a day on horseback, to take temperatures, give baths, etc. to her charges.

Mrs B. F. Thorward,
115 Caledonia Ave.
East Cleveland, Ohio.

ALPHA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

Alpha announces the pledging of Margaret McQuistin of Paxton, Ill.

Dec. 14 we initiated Nell Farrow, and Elsie Waller.

A son, William Thomas, was born, Jan. 26, to Capt and Mrs Guy Tucker (Dorothy Thomas) of Rushville, Ind.

The marriage of Nell Farrow to Lieut Ralph Hudspeth of Louisville, Ky. took place Jan. 28.

Mrs Joseph Adams (Dorothy Arnold) and son from Arkansas have been visiting here.

We had the first open-house of the year on Jan. 11.

Cassandra Love was elected secretary of the junior class.

Mary Jane Hogshire and Margaret George have been initiated into Duzer Du, the dramatic society.

Margaret George is on the *De Pauw Daily* staff.

BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Virginia Weills has been giving readings in army camps and hospitals around Boston and New York.

We announce the pledging of Margaret Osborn, Anderson, Ind.

Two of our pledges, Katherine Wooden, Rushville, Ind. and Ellen Nichol, Anderson, Ind. were unable to return this term because of illness.

Lyla Bryan Kulzer, Alpha Sigma, and husband were here for a few days on their way home from Camp Jackson.

Our District president, Grace Philpatt is ill with the flu.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Helen Wagstaff has been elected secretary of the Women's athletic association.

'20-ex Shirley Chase of Kansas City was back for initiation and for the Katsup.

Ruth Thompson and Winifred Wiggan, Alpha Upsilon, were down from Topeka for the freshman party and for the Katsup.

'19-ex Betty Goodjohn of Leavenworth was down for the Katsup and freshman party.

'18 Helen Robinson of Salina was back just before the Christmas holidays.

'18 Theo Thompson came back for the Christmas dinner.

'19-ex Catharine Johnson is going back to Barnard this semester to get her degree.

'17 Carolyn McNutt (Mrs A. M. Root) is living in Williams, Ariz.

Jessie Wyatt is treasurer of the Junior class, advertising manager of the *Jayhawker*, and social secretary of the associated journalists.

We are very glad that Mrs Hal Lebrecht has accepted the presidency of District V, for we know she will ably take up the work Miss Davis has had so well in hand for the last few years.

Married: Clara Riggs and Frederick James Freeman of New York. Sixteen active members went to the wedding in Emporia where they were entertained by Peg Ramseyer and Winifred Wiggan of Alpha Upsilon chapter.

Kappa announces the pledging of Geraldine Brown, Kansas City, and the affiliation of Emily Logan, Delta.

The annual freshman farce, the Katsup, was a most successful take-off of the upperclass attitude toward freshmen. Some thirty alumnae were present.

Charlotte Carnie, Margaret Brown, Elizabeth Samuel and Eloise McNutt have been elected to Blackfriars, the dramatic society.

Laura Jackman is treasurer of the Fine arts school.

Mrs R. C. Cool (Helen Perkins) is at Ware hall, Cambridge, Mass. after a strenuous season of Y. W. C. A. work at Shirley, near Camp Devens, Mass.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

Pledge day, January 19, these freshmen were pledged: Claire Abbey, Essex; Marion Chatterton, Rutland; Mae Fullington, Burlington; Eleanor Hutton, Bennington; Thelma Edmonds, Merle Smalley, and Florence Woodward, Morrisville; Gunhilde Myerburg, Proctor; Bertha Williams, Northampton, Massachusetts, and Mary Weyman, Starksboro; also Elizabeth Howe '20, Burlington.

A lovely new lamp and a pretty wicker chair were Christmas gifts from our alumnae.

On Founders'-day the alumnae gave us a supper party at our new rooms.

'09 Born, Dec. 17, to Miriam Hitchcock Chapin, a son, William Goodwin.

'14 Born, Dec. 14, to Nina Shepherdson Merrill, a son, Robert Frederick.

'14 Edith Coleman of Proctor was with us the week-end of Jan. 15.

'15 Lou Fullington is teaching in Peacham, Vt.

'15, Married, Mable Watts to Lieut Harold Mayforth, Nov. 23, 1918.

'15 Born to Ethel Jackson Brailey, twins.

'16 Born to Ethel Ward Graves of Philadelphia, a daughter, Marjory.

'16 Helen Rutter Hills (Mrs Lawrence) is doing home economics work at Hartford, Conn.

'17 Elizabeth Baker, who has been in Washington in the Radio corps, has returned to New York to work with the Western electric co.

'17 Ruby Howe, who has been canteen manager at the soldiers' club at Camp Ayer, is home for a short time.

'17 Dorothy Votey is waiting to sail for work in a recreation camp in France.

'17 Edith Holdstock, who is in government employment at Washington, was at her home in Burlington for Christmas.

'18 The engagement of Helen Mott Hall and Lieut John A. Hitchcock has been announced.

'19-ex Elizabeth Smith has resigned her position at Washington and has returned to her home in Bakersfield.

'20-ex Racheal Ward is studying at Simmons.

Gladys Fauley is in the appointment bureau at the Women's educational and industrial union, Boston, Mass.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

ex-'18 Alice Brown took a course in nursing and is now a practical nurse.

'17 Helouise Davis is a private tutor in Pasadena.

Ex-'21 Margaret McKee has just returned from an extensive concert tour.

Our pledges are: Gladys Nuffer, Julia Shepardson, Jacqueline Edwards, Myrna Ebert, Elizabeth Hughes, Lois Craig, and Marion McCook.

Christmas gifts to the chapter house included a percolator, twin silver cream and sugar set, glasses, and muffin pans.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Marriages: Sarah Ladd to Lieut Thomas Woods, both of Lincoln.

Ermine Carmen to Rex Coffee. They are living on a ranch near Chadron, Neb.

Martha Post to Lieut Geo. B. Hoffman, now overseas.

Margaret Laurie to Stephen Powell.

Births: Son to Mr and Mrs H. R. Black (Hazel Hamilton), Long Beach, Cal.

Daughter to Mr and Mrs Samuel W. Reynolds (Louise Northrup), Omaha.

Daughter to Mr and Mrs Chas. Hustad (Lucy Dill), Lincoln.

Son to Mr and Mrs Allan Sedgewick (Jeanette Post), Los Angeles.

Daughter to Dr and Mrs Jess Lancaster (Mildred Post), Torrance, Cal.

Daughter to Mr and Mrs Gale Lawson (Luella Brach), Hastings, Neb.

Girl to Mr and Mrs Harold Temple (Maurine McAdam), Lexington, Neb.

Boy to Mr and Mrs Wright Newman (Margaret Green), Aurora, Neb.

Second son to Mr and Mrs Carl Modisette (Willa Spier), Omaha.

Son to Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Collins (Grace Cooley), Hebron, Neb.

Dr Jules Sedgewick has given up his private practice and is devoting himself to the teaching of pediatrics, in which he holds the chair, in the University of Minnesota.

Robert Gannt is plant superintendent for three states for the Northwestern phone co. and located at Minneapolis. Zola Gannt has been director of the Theta Unit in making refugees garments for the Red Cross in Minneapolis.

Grace McMillan is teaching in Butte, Mont.

Jean Tuttle is teaching in the Berkeley high school.

Wilhelm Bonekemper died of influenza in Portland, Ore.

Mr and Mrs Holiday Sumner (Alice Batty) are spending the winter in Chula Vista, Cal. but expect to return to their ranch near Hastings, Neb. next summer.

Mary Steele ran her brother's insurance business while he was in the army, and now they are in business together in Hastings, Neb.

Ella Wirt and her mother have gone to California for the winter.

Catherine Dodge is teaching in the Fremont, Neb. high school.

Mary Guthrie is teaching in the Humboldt, Neb. high school.

Ottilla Schurman is a senior at Sweet Briar college, Sweet Briar, Va.

Marguerite Marshall is spending the winter in Florida with her mother.

Mr and Mrs John K. Morrison (Nelle Williams) have moved from Omaha to Fremont where Mr Morrison is in the real estate business.

Louise Bailey is in Base Hospital No. 1, San Antonio, Tex. as dietitian. She had been head dietitian at the University hospital, Omaha.

Emma Swezey is in France as a nurse's aid.

Jessie Power of York, Neb. has moved to Hollywood, Cal.

Ada Haggard is librarian at York, Neb.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Helen Houston to Capt Theodore Metcalfe, Omaha.

Sarah Weston is teaching at Beatrice, Neb.

Lulu Mae Coe is in the Y. W. C. A. at Duluth, Minn.

Engagement is announced of Lucile Lees to Guy Chamberlain.

Catherine Pierce is studying at the Curry school of expression, Boston.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

January 11 we initiated Jean Abernethy, Eleanor Harbert, Jennie Lane and Ruth Ross, all '21, and Kathleen Cordingley, Allison Ewart, Margaret Mahon, Adelaide Macdonald, Alice McMaster, Margaret Walton, Lorena Wellwood and Jane Wilson, all '22. Initiation was at Helen Walton's house with supper at a nearby tea-room. Edith Lambert '20 and Barbara Finlayson '21, pledged last spring, were initiated shortly before Christmas.

January 28, we had our Founders'-day party at Marion Squair's. The freshmen gave a play with the most beautiful costumes and a very tragic ending, afterwards there were charades.

Already it is easy to feel a change in the whole life of the university, some of the men are coming back and things are gradually returning to the normal.

'07 Born to Dr and Mrs C. M. Hincks (Mabel Millman), a son.

'07 Born to Mr and Mrs T. P. Grubbe (Mabel Steel), a daughter.

'06-'09 Dora Mavor Moore has returned from England.

'09 Edith Atkin is teaching in the high school of commerce.

'09 Mono McLaughlin is a welfare worker in a cotton factory at Hamilton, Ontario.

'13 Claire Murphy has married Mr Sline and will live in Ireland.

'14 Jean Tom is taking a secretarial course at Pratt.

'15 Mildred McPherson has taken the vocational training course and is working in the Convalescent hospital, Ste. Anne de Bellevue.

'15-ex Jean Scott is working at St. Christopher house.

'17 Elizabeth Hargreaves and Erskine Keys are working in the catalogue department of the Alumni association.

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Nov. 8 we initiated Eleanor Mathias, Joyce Copper, Frances Larson and Gloria Forbrich. Shortly after, we pledged Helen Coleman, Chicago. Second term, we pledged Frances Keith, Des Moines, Iowa, and Mildred Barton, Danville, Illinois.

In tryouts for the Campus players, Frances Keith, Dorothy Carney and Mary Clayton were chosen. The first play will be in March.

Eleanor Mathias, Mary Elizabeth Torrance, and Dorothy Knight played on class hockey teams and Alice Knight and Marion Metcalf, seniors, were on the Varsity team.

The *Syllabus*, Northwestern's year book, has the Bennett twins, Frances Hunter, Edna Moser and Phyllis Bartelmie on its committees.

Frances Bennett and Phyllis Bartelmie are in the House of Representatives of Student government, and Alice Knight is on the Judiciary committee. Elizabeth Brown and Esther Smiley are officers of the Freshman commission.

Mary Elizabeth Torrance, Mary Clayton, Pauline Fera and Phil Bartelmie were awarded class honors in scholarship for 1917-18.

We just pledged Kathryn Craig.

The initiates are giving a dancing party for the chapter Feb. 11.

Margaret Wilcox Richards is with the U. S. Shipping Board. Address: 837 Hamilton Terrace, Baltimore, Md.

'17 Mrs George Smith (Helen Forbes) has a son.

'17-ex Mrs Herbert Stryker (Ruth Baume) has a son, Herbert, Jr. born Dec. 11.

'18 Lucille Moore has announced her engagement to Loren Mitten of Evanston. At the time of the announcement he was still in France.

'17 Edna Johnson Gerton and her husband have sailed for France, where his work will keep him for several years.

'18 Ingrid Ringnier is preceptress at Harmon terrace.

'20 Gladys Bell is wintering in California.

'19 Ruth Marshall has gone to Florida for the winter.

'20 Helen Rockwell spent January in Colorado.

Mr and Mrs Herbert Bartling (Grace Goodman) are living in Evanston.

'20 Ina Smith, who has been in Washington, will return to college for the third term.

UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

'16 Born to Louise Leavitt Mitchell (Mrs Norman) a son.

'14 Born to Marian Smith Bussey (Mrs W. H.) a daughter.

'12-ex The Thetas mourn the loss of their sister, Donna McKinstry Grant (Mrs. Charles F.).

'12-ex Adrienne Warner has gone to Florida where she will spend the winter.

'19 Frances Ackley has resumed her university work this quarter.

'19 Esther Colwell is attending college this quarter after a quarter's absence.

'17 Clara MacKenzie is spending the winter with her mother in San Diego, Cal. Her address is DeLuxe apts, 2230 Albatroff.

'17 Isabel Gibson is doing social service work in the city hospital in St. Paul.

'17 Marion Gray Barker (Mrs Harold) will leave for Camp Dodge very soon, where she will remain with her husband until his discharge.

'14 Marjorie Mix Hubachek (Mrs F. B.) has recently returned from Florida.

'13 Ruth Magnuson Hanson has returned from Madison, Wis.

Jessie L. Donaldson took one month's post graduate work here and is now teaching in Bozeman, Mont.

Mrs R. T. Hargreaves, from Washburn, Ore. has moved to Minneapolis. Her husband is the principal of Central high school here.

PHI—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

We have seven pledges, Barbara Loomis, a sister, Pasadena; Esther Flowers, a sister, Monrovia; Miriam Hilton, Seattle; Dorothy Quigley, El Paso; Margaret Howard, Oakland; Gladys Gilchrist, San Mateo; and Mary Jane Clark, Spokane.

Born to Mr and Mrs Ben Thompson (Ruth Locke) a daughter, Nancy Jane.

Married: Margaret Duryea and J. F. Neubauer, address: Ukiah, Cal.—Katherine Cottle and W. R. Gibbon.

Born to Mr and Mrs Herman Stegman (Dorothea Washburn) twins, John and Johanna.

'04 Clare Soule married Lieut W. D. Seay. Address: 924 N. Curtis av. Alhambra, Cal.

'18 Florence Mason is back in college this quarter getting her teacher's certificate.

'18 Antonio Hyatt is also back for her fifth year.

'18 Marjory Curry Williams is living in Palo Alto with her son Robert Tatman jr. waiting for her husband, Lieut Robert Williams to come home from France.

'18 Geraldine Cluff is visiting in Palo Alto, with Mr and Mrs A. T. Cluff.

'18 Bernice Thompkins has dropped nursing and is living at her home in San Jose.

'18 Jean Campbell visited the campus the week end of Jan. 25.

A daughter (Jean Cluff) born to Mr and Mrs A. T. Cluff (Gladys Briggs) on Dec. 21.

Marion Hill '18 is at her home in Los Angeles.

'14 Beula Neel died of Influenza in Jan.

CHI—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

ex-'06 Julie Whipple Sherman (Mrs Robert) visited the chapter in Jan.

'10 Born, Nov. 14, 1918, to Mr and Mrs L. J. Shafer (Amy Hendricks) a son, at Nagasahn, Japan.

'14 Florence White was married to Dr E. J. Templeton, July 17, 1918.

'16 Louise Stewart Street (Mrs W. S.) visited the chapter in Nov. and Jan.

'17 Anne Carhart Blanchard (Mrs E. M.) visited the chapter in Jan.

'17 De Etta Holmes visited the chapter Nov. 21, 1918.

'18 Alice Taylor Becker (Mrs H. C. E.), Hildred Newell and Helen Hutchison visited the chapter Nov. 14, 1918.

ex-'19 Maryn Whelpley has a government position in Washington, D. C.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Nov. 23 we initiated Doris Beard, Katharine Butler, Florence Hanna, Mary Tillotson, Esther Graham, and Dorothy Shaper, all upperclassmen.

'15 Charlotte Bodman Neal (Mrs Charles) is happy over the arrival of a little daughter, Alice.

'15 Margaret Curry's announcement of her engagement was closely followed by her wedding cards. She is now Mrs Osborne, and her home is at Winnebago, Neb.

'20-ex Flora Siebecker announced her engagement to Lieut Thayer Z. Clayton, Φ K Σ.

'20 Florence Pardee was married to David E. Day, Jan. 11. It was a beautiful home-wedding to which many Thetas were fortunate enough to be invited. Mr and Mrs Day are now living in Santa Maria, Cal.

'20-ex Gertrude Bradley visited us at the time of Florence Pardee's wedding.

'21-ex Catharine Maurer Witter (Jean Carter) left Madison after Christmas. Capt Witter has returned from France, and they are living in San Francisco.

'21-ex Ruth Stromme Wolfers (Mrs R. C.) visited us several times during the first quarter. She is now at her home in Hopkins, Mo.

We are proud of the nine freshmen pledges eligible for honor initiation, not only did they all have the necessary weighted average of 85, but four of them had an average of 90 plus. So on Jan. 25 we initiated Martha Buell, Susan Brown, Ruth Dickover, Dorothy Dwight, Helen Ingersoll, Esther Lindsten, Katharine Rosenberry, Marjorie Todd, and Ima Winchell.

Two new pledges are announced—Helen Cheatem of Milwaukee, and Dorothea Nelson of Rockford, Ill.

Katharine Ely has been elected secretary of Green button, the freshman girls' organization.

President Van Hise died very unexpectedly, Nov. 19, we miss his guiding hand most keenly. Dean Birge is acting president.

On Founders'-day the juniors entertained the chapter and alumnae with an original musical comedy.

Jan. 16 was a red-letter day, when Psi welcomed for a week's visit, Mary Ashby with her shining new Grand Council pin.

Married, Julia Doe and L. R. Shero. Address: 1797 Grand av. St. Paul, Minn.

Margaret Knowlton '18, Mary Roudebush '18 and Margaret Sperry '19 were elected to Phi Beta Kappa last Fall.

Mae Groendyke '18 was elected to Omicron Nu, the home economics honor-ary society.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Marion Fitzhugh '19 is in France as Y. M. C. A. secretary.

Helen Crenshaw '19 was recently married to Seylemud Quackenbush.

Helen Holman '20 recently left for Europe, as private secretary to her father, Alfred Holman, who is reporting the Peace Conference.

ALPHA BETA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

'18 Elizabeth Andrews is now working for the Soldiers and Sailors Service bureau in the Widener building, Philadelphia, Pa.

'17 The engagement of Elizabeth Sharpless Worth to Donald Spackman '17 has been announced.

Katherine Price Olin (Mrs H. A.) expects to live in Swarthmore after Feb. 1. Cornelia Stabler won second prize in the annual declamation contest.

Caroline Philips was elected secretary of Woman's Student government association for the second semester.

Helen Biddle has been elected secretary of the senior class. This is the third time in five years that a Theta has had this honor.

'06 T. H. Dudley Perkins, Δ T, husband of Alice Sullivan Perkins succumbed to pneumonia Oct. 20, 1918.

'06 Marion S. Comly is working with the Friends' Reconstruction Unit at Bar-le-Duc, France.

'09 Katherine Wolff is teaching music at Hollidaysburg.

'09-ex Ellie Simons Bassett (Mrs Edward), has been the hard-working and enthusiastic leader of the Red Cross work in Swarthmore.

'10 Priscilla Goodwin Griffen (Mrs Frank) has charge of the Women Probation officers of the municipal court of Philadelphia.

'11 Therese Spackman Barclay (Mrs Richard D.) has a son Richard Miller, born Jan. 25, 1919.

'12 Mildred Hoadley Ainsworth (Mrs Percy) has a son named Donald, born Sept. 13, 1918.

'13 Elizabeth Keller announced her engagement, Jan. 4, 1919, to James J. Gordon, Jr. of Philadelphia.

'13 Catherine Williams Lathrop (Mrs Joseph B.) has a position in the S. S. D. of the Presbyterian Hospital.

'14 Martha T. Speakman has charge of an Orphanage caring for thirty French children at Etretat, France.

'14 Constance Ball is Field Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. and is working among the colleges of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin.

'14 Marjorie T. Caldwell is in the testing laboratories of the Naval Aircraft factory at League Island.

'14 Eleanore A. Lewis has charge of the welfare work among the women workers of the same factory.

'16 Gladys Hall Snyder (Mrs Charles Arthur), is the mother of twin boys, Paul Heston, and Arthur Hall, born July 27, 1918.

'17 Helen Coles is teaching in the Friends' high school at Moorestown, N. J.

'17 Rebecca Conrow is teaching at the Palmyra high school.

ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

ex-'15 Mrs Martha Hoagland Foster has returned to Columbus to live.

'16 Helen Michel Hindman (Mrs Ralph) has returned to Columbus from Hampton Roads where she has been visiting her husband who is a chaplain on the U. S. S. *Georgia*.

'18 Mildred Booth is secretary at the central Y. W. C. A. here.

ex-'19 Elizabeth Welch Smith (Mrs Harold) has returned to Columbus from Florida where her husband has recently received his discharge from Naval Aviation.

'18 Corinne Putnam, whose marriage to Gaylord Stowe of Cleveland took place in November, is now living in Lockhaven, Pa.

'18 Louise Havens has gone to Palm Beach, Fla. for six weeks.

'17 Lynne Wooten Platter (Mrs H. L.) Alpha Theta, is visiting relatives here, awaiting her husband's return from France. She attended the Vassar training camp last summer and took training in the Presbyterian hospital, Philadelphia, until she became ill with the influenza.

We announce two new pledges: Margaret Hicks, sophomore and Gertrude Boesil, senior.

ALPHA DELTA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

We pledged, Nov. 30:—Emma Burleson MacDonald, Austin, Tex.; Marcia Thom, Buffalo, Wyo.; Sarah Thompson, Philadelphia; Hope Nelson, Lakewood, New Jersey; Dorothy Bowlby, Waynesburg, Pa.; Louise L'Engle, Atlanta, Ga.; Mary Beaton Gibbs, Portsmouth, Va.; Marita Lyon, Glenridge, N. J.; Helen Stewart, El Paso, Tex.; Lillian Waite, Brooklyn, N. Y. (formerly a pledge of Alpha Iota Chapter); Ann Simpson, Kansas City, Mo.; Marian Simpson, Somerset, Pa.; and Stella Biddison, Maybelle Galbraith, Ruth Brannin, and Ruth Graham all from Baltimore.

Nov. 30, the chapter was entertained by the pledges with a stunt. In light opera fashion, by means of appropriate parodies on popular songs, we saw vividly portrayed the agonies of indecision before pledge day, while being rushed, "strictly in song."

The college and alumnae chapters with the pledges celebrated Founders'-day Feb. 1, with a luncheon.

'12 Dr and Mrs Earnest Hutchins (Earnestine Dulaney) announce the birth of a daughter.

'13 Dorothy Davis Connant (Mrs Frederick) is spending the winter in Deming, N. M.

'14 Alpha Delta extends sympathy to Blanch Ross Hammond (Mrs C.) whose husband died from pneumonia.

'15 Alice Watson Billings (Mrs Paul) visited Helen Frisch a few days in Jan.

'15 Louise Pennington has sailed for France where she will do Y. M. C. A. canteen work.

'16 Mr and Mrs Frank Baker (Edythe Rogers) announce the birth of a daughter.

'17 Louise Lewis who is teaching in the Lewistown high school, visited Helen Frisch in Nov.

'17-ex Charlotte Williams who has been living in Australia for several years has returned to Baltimore.

Helen Hayden and Marcella Mitchell had parts in the sophomore play, France's *Man who married a dumb wife*.

Ex-'16 Harriet Newman Green (Mrs M.) is living in Baltimore, and has become a member of the alumnae chapter.

Born to Mr and Mrs Fletcher White (Lucile Locke), a daughter, Mary Lou.

'19 Mary Carter and Lieut Robt. Fusselbaugh were married Mar. 20, 1918.

'19 The engagement of Margaret Watson to Capt Chas. B. Thomas was announced.

'19 The engagement of Belle Taylor to Kenneth Scurr was announced.

ex-'21 Claire Von Marees is engaged to Gideon Stieff of Baltimore.

ex-'21 Eleanor Watts has taken a government position in Baltimore.

ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

'10—Clotilda Brown has received a call to an army camp to teach reconstruction work.

'10 Winona Petring toured the Southwest this fall on a Red Cross campaign.

'13 Elsie Hoolan Howard (Mrs Blake) has a son.

'16 Virginia Rhodes and John McMaster Cook were married Oct. 19.

'18 Lucile Logan has announced her engagement to Frank Beach, Σ N, graduate of Ames college.

'19 Alice Rubelman has announced her engagement to William Benjamin Knight, A T Ω.

'20-ex Edith Kidwell has announced her engagement to Frederick Grolock.

'20-ex Frances Hayes is in France since December engaged in Y. W. C. A. Canteen work.

'20-ex Mary Frances Price is training for a nurse in a military hospital at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.

'20-ex Helen Hutchens is playing a leading role in a New York play, *Lightning*. She is playing under the name of Helen Garrick.

'20-ex Anne Studt has left college this semester to go into business with her father.

The sympathy of Alpha Iota is extended to Ada Nicholson Duncker and Margaret Stevens Ward whose husbands died in France in the service of their country.

The chapter entertained for the S. A. T. C. at the Y. M. C. A. hut, giving the farce, *Julius Caesar*.

On Jan. 25 four juniors were initiated—Ruth Boulden, Katherine Burley, Margaret Nettleship, and Genevieve Wilson. After initiation the Founders'-day banquet celebrated with St. Louis alumnae chapter.

Dorothea Marsh Hendrick's new address is Zanesville, Ohio.

Anne Fisher has returned to St. Louis after two years in the East.

Mrs Mildred Spargo Schramm is doing special work for the Eastman Kodak Co. at Rochester, N. Y.

Emma Thuener Dee (Mrs Jas.) is in St. Louis for the winter while her husband is at Camp Pike, Ark.

Fannie Cushing Rhodes (Mrs Victor) has returned to St. Louis from Chicago.

ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE

Alpha Kappa pledged Grace Land, Helen Crandall and Anna Liell, all freshmen; and Constance Jenkins and Ruth Stelling, both juniors.

Our alumnae have organized to advise and help us. They meet regularly once a month; the seniors, Alice Hann, Helen Lay, Margaret Barthel and Marjorie Crashaw are honorary members and meet with the alumnae.

'17 Hazel Healy has a clerical position with the American Red Cross.

'17 Mildred Proudfoot has a position in a doctor's office.

'17 Marion Murphy is teaching English in a Brooklyn high school.

'17 Mary Moneypenny is teaching gymnasium in a private school in Brooklyn.

'18 Evelyn Kingsley is holding a clerical position with the British War Mission.

'09-ex Marjorie Commisky Grant has gone to Washington, D. C. to join her husband. Colonel Grant is on the General Staff, and has just returned from France. They are staying at the Cairo apts. Q st.

'06 Frances Napier is teaching at Berkeley institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Betty De Voy is associated with *Scribner's Magazine*.

'14-ex Evelyn Thompson Jones has a daughter, Doris, born Sept. 23, 1918. They are spending the winter in New York, as Mr Jones is in France with the Medical Corps.

'17-ex Dorothy MacDonald has been with the British war mission in New York, and is now teaching in the Brooklyn high school.

ALPHA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

The facilities of the University of Washington were turned over largely to the S. A. T. C. last October. Everything was done for the men, and the women, though no new war courses were worked out for them, endeavored to keep up with their various war activities.

Now war is over, all thought is turned towards putting things on the old peace-time basis. The crew house down by the lake is being prepared for the spring, track will be started, and all intra-mural sports taken up once more. The old enthusiasm is aroused in the student-body, and in activities.

In the student body election one of our girls, Mary Worsham, was elected Senior representative on the Board of control, which runs all affairs of the student-body. Mary is also a member of the senior soiree committee: senior soiree translated means the big annual senior dance. Helen Donley, our president, is a member of the Senior Council, which is also a committee for government. So many girls are interested in activities that it seems the chapter has never been stronger on the campus.

We recently gave a tea in honor of our house-mother Mrs Thornton Chase, of whom we are all very fond.

We had seventeen pledges, but not long ago initiation brought thirteen of them into the chapter. After initiation we had a banquet, where the speeches honored our Founders to whom we owe so much.

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L. Dorothy Jones

ALPHA MU—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

'15 Margaret Carrington's address is General Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

'13-ex Irene Curtis Peck (Mrs H. O.) has returned to Kansas City from Washington, D. C. where Mr Peck was engaged in war work.

'14-ex Mary Paxton is enrolled at the State normal school at Warrensburg, Mo.

'18 Dorothy Mumford is an assistant in the department of physical education of the University of Missouri.

'16 Margaret Mumford is teaching in the Home economics department of the University of Minnesota.

'10 Minnie Lee Noe was married in June to James Herschel Porter of Willows, Cal.

'10 Louise Norton is doing government work in Washington, D. C.

'13-ex Maud Dean Wilson (Mrs Irwin) has moved to Wewaka, Okla.

ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

'18 Charlotte Plummer and Howard J. Perry, Delta Upsilon, Washington State university, were married in April.

Mrs Walter Marshall (Annabel Robertson) died of Spanish influenza.

Hazel Backus holds a position with the Northern Pacific R. R. Co. in Tacoma, Wash.

'18 Ruth Davis and Gretchen Van Cleve are teaching in Deer Lodge and Fromburg, Mont. respectively.

'18 Beth Barrows has a position as chemist in the great western sugar plant at Billings.

Alpha Nu announces the following pledges: Elsie Talgo, Beatrice Renwick, Virginia Vegan, Mrs. Lottie Carll, all of Billings; Jean Grimshaw from Anaconda; Helen Gillette and Edith Judson from Great Falls; Helen Fitzgibbons from Hamilton; Irma Wagner and Dorothy Phelps from Missoula; Lillian Nepstad from Big Timber.

ALPHA OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Alpha Omicron initiated on Jan. 27 Amelia Broach, Geraldine Drennan, Harriet Ingham, Arline Johnson, Wilma La Mar, Elizabeth Mansfield, Florence Monett, Louise Orton, Janet Stuart, Lucille Taylor, Alberta Webb, and Helen Wooley.

We have one new pledge Marjorie Cochran.

Marion Brooks Cralle is spending the winter here with her mother and father. Georgia Shutt who has been in Washington is coming home in March.

Pauline Stafford is attending Columbia university this year.

Mary Louis Alexander was called home but will return for the third quarter.

Mary Overholser, one of our pledges, will return third quarter.

Kappa Kappa Gamma won the Panhellenic scholarship the last quarter.

ALPHA PI—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

'15 Jessie Grassick Hixon is at her home in Minneapolis where she joined her husband, recently released from the service.

We were glad to have with us for initiation and Founders'-day banquet, Jan. 25, Belle Mahon Stephens, Olga Serumgaard, Pauline Serumgaard, Clara Burman, and Mrs. Lageness, of Alpha Omicron chapter.

Ex-'17 Bernice Church has resigned her position in the Fordville school to go to Washington where she accepted a clerical position in the War Risk Department.

'13 Jessie Budge who has been librarian in the public library at Sioux City, Iowa, is now librarian in the University of North Dakota.

'10 Effie Lindstrom Burke has returned to her home at Hardin, Mont. after spending several months in Grand Forks while her husband was in the service.

ALPHA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

We pledged Barbara Elrod, Clark; Edna Thomas, Pierre; Helen Morris, and Crystal Crain, Redfield; Lucile Large, and Maurine Bone, Sioux City, Iowa; Helen Ofstad, Beresford; Zora and Florence Nelson, Grand Junction, Colorado; Vera Banks, Centerville; Anne Dunlap, Vermillion.

Our chaperon, Miss Henley, was called to Portland, Oregon, February 1. Alumnae acted as chaperons until the arrival of Mrs. Hetherington, an aunt of Beth Meadows, who will be with us indefinitely.

Recent honors won by members are; Jennie Maule, Debating board of control; Mildred Gold, president of Alethian literary society, assistant editor of *Volante*, *Coyote* staff; Barbara Elrod, vice-president of senior class, *Coyote* staff; Laura Lou Brookman, Editor-in-chief of the *Coyote*, Laura Lou is the first girl to hold this office; Marie Leavitt, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, president of junior class; Jo Stutenroth has the leading part in the sophomore play; Margaret Sharp, Margit Johnson, and Maurine Bone also have parts in the sophomore play; Margaret Sharp is vice-president of the sophomore class; Lucile Large, one of our pledges, was elected to the Mask and Wig dramatic club.

Gertrude McGee has left college, but will return for the last quarter.

Sue Abrams has returned to college, after a quarter's absence.

Marjorie Beebe is spending the winter in Miami, Fla.

Jean Shannard is with her mother in San Diego, Cal. She will return to college for the last quarter.

Verna Gold visited us a few days before Christmas. She is studying at Colorado Springs.

Ruth Bonsey spent a week with us during Jan.

The following engagements are announced; Beth Meadows '20 to Herbert Crisman; Olive Siddons '19 to Lloyd Boughton.

ALPHA SIGMA—WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

Augusta Roziskey has resigned her position as Dramatic instructor here to accept a position in the Columbia school of expression.

'14 Melcena LaFollette has returned to Pullman to take Miss Roziskey's position of Dramatic instructor.

'17 Lila Bryan Kulzer (Mrs Norbert) with her husband Lieut Kulzer, has returned to Pullman where they will reside during the college year.

'20 Dora Sumarlidson Lewis (Mrs Lee C.) has returned to resume her college work.

'20 Jessie McGrath is taking a business course in Spokane, Wash.

ALPHA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

On Dec. 24 we pledged—Elizabeth Burris, whose mother is a Theta from Alpha; Ethel Atkins, Minerva Powell, Kathrine Withrow, Henrietta Brady, Charlotte Merry, and three little cousins, Marion Murdock, Helen Seradino, and Ellen Struble.

Anna Cellarius has announced her engagement to Ion J. Cartright, of Lansing, Mich.

Florence Stuart is president of the Woman's league.

Martha Harris announced her engagement to George Kenner.

Elizabeth James is instructor in dietetics and chemistry at Camp Meade, Md.

Mildred Evans Barnett has returned to live in Cincinnati, following the death of her husband Lt Barnett on the battlefield in France.

June Bancroft Redigs is again in Cincinnati, having resigned her position as inspector of gas masks in New York.

'18 Ruth Hatfield is with the U. S. Employment Service in Dayton, Ohio.

'17 Nina Porter is with the War Risk Department in Washington, D. C. Her address is 1403 12th st. N.W.

'17 Eva Schwallie has announced her engagement to Albert Peterson of Chicago, Ill.

'14 Born to Mr and Mrs Robert Clarke (Marie Thiesing), a daughter, Dorothy Marie.

'15 Born to Mr and Mrs Gilbert Bettman (Iphigene Malony) a daughter, Carol Helen.

'17 Born to Mr and Mrs Frederick Hoehler (Dorothy Stevens), a son, Fred Kenneth Jr.

Mrs Helen Parker Finch (Omega) and daughter have returned to California after spending a few months in Cincinnati. They are awaiting the return of Col. Finch from overseas.

ALPHA UPSILON—WASHBURN COLLEGE

'10-ex Born Jan. 14, to Mr and Mrs P. W. Whitcomb (Gertrude McClintock) in London, Eng. a daughter Joan. '15 Born to Mr and Mrs R. S. Whitcomb (Marguerite Seltzer), Oct. 14, 1918, a daughter Dorothy Wright. These two babies are grand-daughters of Mrs Jessie Wright Whitcomb, Lambda.

'14-ex Berenice Emahiger was married to J. S. Kritzer Dec. 20, 1918.

'18-ex Elizabeth Mills was married to Capt L. S. Hall, Dec. 30, 1918.

'14 Juliette Pettvjohn Denius of Dodge City, Kan. visited us Jan. 25.

'18 Sue Louise Bell has returned from her government position in Washington, D. C.

'18 Gracia Wood visited us the week following Jan. 11.

'18 Ruth Koester who is attending Columbia university this winter, visited us during her Christmas vacation.

'18-ex Roxy Vancil was married to John Ford April 8, 1918.

'20-ex Eunice Geiger, who has been so seriously ill with pneumonia following the flu is slowly recovering.

'20-ex Telline Evans, who is teaching in Iola, Kan. visited with us the week-end of Jan. 24.

'16-ex Lieut and Mrs K. J. Lewis (Marjorie Rodgers) announce the birth of a son, Kenneth Rodgers, on Nov. 14, 1918.

We announce the following pledges: Doris Thompson, sister of Marion and Marjorie Thompson; Isabel Whitcomb, daughter of Jessie Wright Whitcomb of Lambda; Cynthia Monroe, sister of Day Monroe; Jeannette Glead, sister of Dorothy Glead Miller and Mary Glead Coe (all of Topeka); Marion Price, Burlingame; Winifred Wiggam, Emporia; Mabel Claire Steele, Chanute; Margaret Seaton, Waterville.

A Christmas tree with gifts was sent to the Kansas orphan home in lieu of our custom of entertaining these kiddies at the house for a Christmas tree, as the house was closed by the flu quarantine.

Jessie Burnette has returned from Washington, where she was in government work, and will reenter college.

Christina Ward was asked to speak at the Republican banquet held Kansas Day, Jan. 29 in Topeka.

Laura Neiswanger has been elected to Nonosa, the honorary senior woman's society. Christina Ward and Genevieve McMillan are members too.

Anne Hawley is now Associate editor of *The Review*.

Teresea Tucker has been elected chairman of Junior Prom.

Isabel Whitcomb was elected president of the freshman commission.

Helen Hunter was chosen vice-president of the Y. W. C. A.

Betty Fyfe and Isabel Whitcomb have been invited to become members of the Washburn dramatic club.

Margaret Seaton has been elected vice-president of the sophomore class.

Ruth Kaster has been elected president of the Washburn law school and Mary Paxton is the law school's representative to Student council.

ALPHA PHI—NEWCOMB COLLEGE

ex-'20 Minna Fortier married to Mr Swiss Fox of San Antonio, Tex.

'17 Adele Drouet is president of the Women's advertising club of New Orleans.

'17 Miriam Thompson is teaching at Limestone college, Gaffney, S. C.

'11 LaReine Hill Gladden (Mrs Audley N.) has been travelling through Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana on Junior Red Cross business.

'11 Edna Niebergall (Mrs James Black) and her daughter, Mildred LaReine, are at Annapolis where Lieut Black is an instructor.

Founders'-day was celebrated with a theater party followed by a supper at the Louisianne. Adele Drouet was toastmistress and the gathering a great success.

ALPHA CHI—PURDUE UNIVERSITY

'11 Mrs Sidney Smith (Tressa Moore) is now living at 1115 Pecan st. Texarkana, Ark. having moved there from Otterbien, Ind.

'11 Mrs Thomas Henry (Emma Smith) has moved to East Chicago, Ind. from Hamilton, Ont.

'11 Lena Sutton is teaching French at De Pauw university.

'13 Born to Lieut and Mrs Chas. Nicol (Bernice Duryea), a daughter. Lieut Nicol is stationed at Washington, D. C.

'15 Mildred O'Haver is teaching at Attica, Ind.

'16 Miriam Beall has resigned from the Extension department of Purdue university.

'17 Beatrice Fisher has returned from Washington, D. C. where she has completed the training course in dietetics at the Garfield Memorial hospital. She now has a position on the Home economics staff at Purdue.

'19-ex Ione Smith was married to Robert Foster, Oct. 12, 1918. She is teaching at West Lebanon while her husband is completing his course at Indiana dental college.

Mildred Briggs, Jean Waterbury, Dorothy Moore, Kathryn Switzer, and Louise Kirkpatrick, all of Alpha, and Lois Blount, Gamma, attended our dance Jan. 17.

Mary Ashby, our new Grand vice-president, was a very welcome visitor at our chapter house Jan. 26-27.

Announcements of engagements: Mary Jamison, Lafayette, to Richard Warren, Acacia, of El Paso, Tex.; Marjorie Clark, Lafayette to W. V. Stockton, Jr. Theta Xi, Sparta, Ill.; Marion Sherwin, Indianapolis to Sidney Gates Wright, Brookton, N. Y.

Mrs J. Cavanaugh (Esther Basset), Alpha, is living at 521 Waldron st. Lafayette.

Mrs Bird Coslee Crockett, and Mrs A. C. Arnett of the Alumnae club and Beatrice Jamison '19, Marie Hamilton '21, and Frances Carr '22 attended the Founders'-day banquet at Indianapolis.

ALPHA PSI—LAWRENCE COLLEGE

Founders'-day was celebrated on Jan. 25 with a luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. Twenty-six were present, beside Alpha Psi resident members these included Hester Harper, Psi, Marie Benton Jennings, Helen Chapman, and Marjorie Benton Haviland, all of Tau.

'14 Married: Hazel Streckenbach to Victor Extrom of St. Paul. They expect to make their home in Fulda, Minn.

'14 A baby was born to Mr and Mrs Arno Roepke (Caroline Wingard) of Birnamwood, Wis.

ex-'17 Elizabeth Stevens announces her engagement to Mr Halleck of Cleveland, Ohio.

ex-'18 Mr and Mrs Roy Sampson (Miriam Vander Bie) have come to make their home in Appleton.

'19 Marie Paff was unable to return to college this quarter on account of illness.

ex-'19 Elizabeth Helmer has gone to Bovill, Idaho, where she expects to live with relatives.

ex-'20 Winifred Sullivan has left Lawrence to attend the University of Wisconsin.

ex-'19 Ruth Lachmann expects to go to Chicago to take nurses' training in the Presbyterian hospital, in March.

Kappa Delta has granted a charter to Delta Delta Sigma local here.

We have had a fine visit from our District president, Mrs Haviland.

We have just gotten settled in lovely new chapter rooms, for which we have hunted for some months.

ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

'15 Hazel Keffer Peden (Mrs John T.) has discontinued her work with the Council of National defense and is now connected with the War department.

'17 Agnes Burns Ferguson, M.D. is now living at the house.

'15 Married: Mary Adelia Fisher to Lieut Robert Burns Bossler, Dec. 26 at St. Louis, Mo.

Christmas gifts to the house included a set of glasses from our chaperon, Mrs Stehley and monogramed tea cups from Helen White, Mu.

Lena Ebeling is president of sophomore women.

Mary Stokes is vice-president of the athletic association.

BETA GAMMA—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

'18-ex Florence Crane was married Dec. 29, 1918 to Waldo Kidder, Σ P Δ.

Beta Gamma pledged Helen Robertson, Ruth Watts, Thelma Moran, Margaret Bullen and Mabel Harris, Jan. 14.

'21 Leland McMurry has announced her engagement to John Nesbit, Σ P Δ. Ruth Binford, Γ Φ B, was a guest at the chapter house Jan. 20.

'20 Bernice Dunlap has announced her engagement to Arthur Kroll, Σ P Δ.

'20 Gertrude Lawver has announced her engagement to Irving Shaeffer, Σ A E.

The Pledge dance was given at the chapter house Jan. 17.

Founders'-day luncheon was held at the Metropole in Denver, Jan. 25. Florence McClave, Bernice and Gladys Dunlap, Doris Chandler and Thelma Moran represented Beta Gamma.

BETA EPSILON—OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

At a recent convocation Edgar Piper, managing editor of *The Morning Oregonian*, was the speaker.

The *Beaver*, the college annual has on its staff, Esther Shea as associate editor, Marion West as associate editor of the woman's section; Hazel Strief, chairman of the woman's fraternity section, and Grace E. Smith, of the clubs.

Founders'-day was celebrated Jan. 26. We had the pleasant surprise of having with us, Minnie Ethel Wright, one of our charter members. The Dean of women, Mary E. Fawcett, of Delta, was also at our banquet.

We are exceedingly proud of Eva Kelly who has been called to Camp Lewis, Wash. to do reconstruction work in the overseas officers' ward. She took the reconstruction course at Reed college last summer.

Katherine Waite has been elected vice-president of the Pharmacy association. She is also secretary-treasurer of the Pharmaceutical honorary society.

'16 Mr and Mrs Aaron Olmstead (Maida Doolittle) are now making their home in Oregon City.

'17 Dorothy Wright has a position in the high school at Bend, Ore.

'18 Lula May is teaching in Castle Rock, Wash.

We all have the saving habit. Keep it up for convention is coming.

WAR SERVICE SECRETARIES

(Additions to list in January issue)

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CREEDS

For some years Kappa Alpha Theta undergraduates have been expressing a desire for a Creed that would express to the public our ideals. We here reprint from the magazines of our contemporaries three creeds—with the hope that they may enthuse some of you alumnae to express Kappa Alpha Theta's Creed in words for publication.

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA SYMPHONY

"Thou Kappa Kappa Gamma live each day in all our hearts. And in our lives play many noble sympathetic parts. The parts of sister, second mother, counsellor, true friend. Of Love's ideal to which we raise our eyes until the end. Until the end? I think when passed beyond this little sphere, we still shall see thy joyous shining light forever clear. And hear in all the skies thy call of perfect Womanhood. So God may say, "On earth and here thou art a lasting Good."

Ella Wallace Wells

CHI OMEGA SYMPHONY

"To live constantly above snobbery of word or deed; to place scholarship before social obligations, and character before appearances; to be, in the best sense, democratic rather than exclusive, and lovable rather than popular; to work earnestly, to speak kindly, to act sincerely, to choose thoughtfully that course which occasion and conscience demand; to be womanly always; to be discouraged never; in a word to be loyal under any circumstances to my fraternity and her teachings and to have her welfare ever at heart, that she may be a symphony of high purpose and helpfulness in which is no discordant note."

THE CREED OF PHI MU

"To lend to those less fortunate a helping hand; to think of God as a protector and guide of us all; to keep forever sacred the memory of those we have loved and lost; to be to others what we would they would be to us; to keep our lives gentle, merciful, and just. To walk in the Way of Honor, guarding the purity of our thoughts and deeds, being steadfast in every duty, small or large; believing that our given word is binding; striving to esteem the inner man above culture, wealth, or pedigree; being honorable, courteous, tender. To serve in the Light of Truth, avoiding egotism, narrowness and scorn; to give freely of our sympathies; to reverence God as our Maker, striving to serve him in all things; to minister to the needy and unfortunate; to practice day by day Love, Honor, Truth; thus keeping true to the meaning, spirit, and reality of Phi Mu."

How many of your chapter will answer convention's roll call.

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